

WALSALL CHRONICLE

Manns
CARPETS
Remnants
Clearance
Sale Now On
Telephone: 01922 639358/9

Thursday, August 15, 2013

Read by more than 70,000 people

Price when sold 50p

mna media

Golden wonder

Tribute to Wolves legend's glory days at Molineux

See Page 6



Win tickets

Get ready for the Black Country's rock festival

What's On - See Page 21



Super Saddlers

Dean Smith's men put in hard graft to beat Latics

Sport - See Pages 43 & 44



Council is having to make cuts of £100m

CASH-STRAPPED Walsall Council must make £100 million of savings over the next five years - £20m more than expected.

Services and jobs are expected to be hit hard as part of cost-cutting measures at the local authority.

The council has already made more than 450 redundancies over the past four years and shaved £32m from its spending in the last two.

It comes after changes to the Government grant given to the local authority.

Mike Bird, council leader, said: "We're working harder than ever to make Walsall a better place for everyone."

Tough

"We'll have less money and fewer people so we'll be able to do less but we'll make the best of what we've got."

"It's important that we're level with everyone. The public sector has a desperately tough future and this is affecting us in Walsall too."

Budgets and the council tax level are now being drawn up for next year.

Finance boss councillor Chris Towse said they would do all they could to help businesses and create jobs.

"There's a range of things we're focussing on because they are important to Walsall people," he said. "We're also helping them lead healthier lives and older people live independently."

Ellie's gold in Montreal

WALSALL swimming star Ellie Simmonds won gold at the World Swimming Championships in Canada on Monday.

The four-time Paralympic gold medalist stormed to victory in the S6 400m freestyle in Montreal.

The 18-year-old took victory in five minutes 24.02 seconds, beating the other competitors by 20 seconds.

Ellie, from Aldridge, said: "I'm looking forward to my other events."

Ellie received an OBE earlier this year for her services to Paralympic sport.

COURT MOVE TO HALT BOY RACERS

POLICE are seeking a High Court injunction in a bid to crack down on boy racers street racing in Aldridge.

Complaints have been received about a large number of vehicles with noisy sound systems and exhausts gathering in Brickyard Road, Leighswood Road and near Aldridge Community Centre.

Police said they were gathering statements about the issues to seek a High Court injunction.

If granted, police will have greater powers and it could see racers fined or jailed for up to two years.

Aldridge Central and South Councillor John Murray said the problems had been spiralling for months.

Noise

He said a community group had now been set up to look at ways of increasing surveillance and security around Aldridge Community Centre.

He said: "I am aware of a problem of young people gathering in the community centre car park with their modified cars."

"They have caused a nuisance because of the noise and bright headlights shining into the residential area."

"We set up a task and finish group which includes representatives from the police, council, residents and people from the community centre."

"We have explored various options the council could

Report by
Lisa O'Brien

take and the possibility of doing various things, such as introducing CCTV, to try and solve the problems."

"I understand the costings are being worked out and we are going to meet again in September."

"I welcome the fact that the police want to get a High Court injunction. I imagine that would do the trick."

Police said they had also stepped up patrols to crack down on car cruising in the area.

Sergeant Joanne Winters, from Aldridge central and south neighbourhood policing team, said: "We are getting calls from concerned residents."

"We are gathering statements about this issue to work towards a potential High Court injunction."

It comes after police in Staffordshire also gained permission from the High Court in December banning boy racers in Cannock along The Orbital, Eastern Way, Watling Street, Lichfield Road, Walsall Road and Avon Road.

Monster fun at town show



Monster truck driver Michael Murty meets Brownhills boy Alfie Bird, aged 3, during a display at Walsall Arboretum

MONSTER trucks, vintage vehicles and magic shows kept thousands of people entertained at the fifth Walsall Town Show at the weekend.

Visitors descended on Walsall Arboretum to enjoy the displays and activities on offer.

James Bird, aged 27, of Ogley Road, Brownhills, was at the event on Satur-

day with his wife Lisa, 25, and sons Alfie, three, and Archie, who is three-months-old.

The father-of-two said: "We enjoyed it. It's a great show and we go every time it's on."

"My son loved the monster trucks and motorbike stunts."

Walsall Town Show was resurrected

by Walsall Council's leisure chief Anthony Harris in 2009 to celebrate the 150th birthday of the 'King of Showmen' Pat Collins.

Event organiser Michael Harris, from the Brownhills-based Pat Collins Funfairs, said: "There was a tremendous turnout."

Police in hunt for iron bar attacker

POLICE are appealing for information after a pensioner was beaten over the head with an iron bar outside a Willenhall pub

The 72-year-old victim's jaw was shattered during the terrifying attack outside the Three Tuns in Walsall Road, just before 5am on Saturday.

The pensioner received head and facial injuries. He underwent surgery to repair his jaw.

Investigating detectives are appealing for help tracing a man described as black and aged in his 20s who they believe may be able to help with their inquiries.

Devastated

A 21-year-old woman suffered a cut to her head when struck by the same thing during the attack outside the pub.

Ranjit Singh, owner of the Three Tuns, knew the elderly victim. He said: "The attacker had come in with someone else earlier and he was told to leave because he had been arguing. The man who was hit is a family friend. He had been trying to intervene in the argument. I feel devastated."

"It happened at the side of the pub. He must have been waiting there."

Anyone with any information is asked to call Force CID on 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Three taken to hospital

THREE people were taken to hospital following a collision involving a car and a van in Pleck during the early hours of Tuesday. The car struck a lamppost during the crash at 12.35am at the junction of Station Street and Bridgeman Street.

A man driving the car suffered a broken leg and a woman passenger had minor injuries. Another male passenger was treated for a possible pelvic injury. All three, believed to be in their early 20s, were taken to Manor Hospital. The driver of the van was uninjured.

abbey blinds est 1991

1000s OF NEW FABRICS ALL AT ONE LOW PRICE
IRRESPECTIVE OF CHOICE

CALL INTO OUR FACTORY SHOWROOM. ARRANGE
A NO OBLIGATION HOME QUOTE OR VIEW ONLINE



free advice - free measure - free quote

www.blindsbyabbey.co.uk

showroom 9 am-5 pm Mon-Sat

25-28 Elmore Green Road

Walsall WS3 2HW

Call Free
9 am-9 pm 7 days

0800 0194655

NEWS

CONTENTS

Peter Rhodes	4
Letters	7
Focus on Bloxwich	20
What's on	21
TV Listings	22 - 24
Puzzles	25
Property	26 - 31
Motoring	32 - 37
Classified	38 - 42
Sport	43 - 44

CONTACT US

Got a story to tell or an event you want covered? The Chronicle and the Express & Star have a team of reporters covering Walsall:

Tom Mason: 01902 319550
tom.mason@expressandstar.co.uk
Charlotte Lilley: 01902 319688
charlotte.lilley@expressandstar.co.uk
Will Ackermann: 01534 465305
will.ackermann@expressandstar.co.uk
Craig Hughes: 01922 444316
craig.hughes@expressandstar.co.uk
Lisa O'Brien: 01922 444312
lisa.obrien@expressandstar.co.uk
Marion Brennan: 01543 465302
marion.brennan@expressandstar.co.uk

Email your pictures to:
walsallchronicle@expressandstar.co.uk

Sports: chronsport@expressandstar.co.uk

Photographic: John Sambrooks
 Tel: 01902 319431
 Email: j.sambrooks@expressandstar.co.uk

Advertising: Samantha Broad
 Tel: 01543 465331
 E-mail: s.broad@expressandstar.co.uk

Property: Marguerita Finnegan
 Tel: 01543 465337
 E-mail: marguerita.finnegan@expressandstar.co.uk

Motoring: Jayne La'Hiffe
 Tel: 01543 465334
 E-mail: j.lahiffe@expressandstar.co.uk

Distribution: Paul Jones
 Tel: 01902 319537
 E-mail: p.jones@expressandstar.co.uk

WALSALL
thechronicle

Queen Street
 Wolverhampton
 WV1 1ES

Open Monday to Friday 9am-1pm
 and 2pm-5pm

**www.walsallchronicle@
 expressandstar.co.uk**

Fans in court after violence at match

THIRTEEN men and three youths have appeared in court accused of affray after violence broke out at a Wolves match against Leeds on February 9. They all appeared at Wolverhampton Crown Court.

One 16-year-old from Fallings Park, who cannot be named for legal reasons, denied the charge was due to appear at the city's youth court today (Thursday).

Eight of the defendants were given conditional bail and ordered not to attend any Wolves games.

Bail

They were: Ricky Bates, 26, of no fixed address; Benjamin Richardson, 25, of Pebble Close, Stourbridge; Ryan Richardson, 29, of Ambleside Close, Bradley; Nicholas Ward, 38, of Foxwood Road, Tamworth; Gregory Elliot, 48, of Slatch

House Road, Smethwick; Daniel Gadsden, 19, of Granville Street, Telford; Gilroy Shaw, 45, of Selwyn Road, Bilston, and Nicholas Smith, 29, of Alder Road, Wednesbury, were not in court but were also given conditional bail.

Andrew Ward, 48, of Farm Road, Quarry Bank, Richard Ward, 23, of Farm Road, Quarry Bank; Ryan Blake, 19, of Denmore Gardens,

Wolverhampton; Lee Douglass, 18, of Brookeridge Close, Willenhall; and Craig Green, 25, of Richborough Drive, Dudley, were all granted unconditional bail.

Three 17-year-olds from Wolverhampton, Willenhall and Brierley Hill were also given unconditional bail. They will all appear again at Wolverhampton Crown Court again on October 9 and 10.

Refusal is likely for gipsy site in garden

A BID to build a gipsy caravan site near Blxowich was set to be thrown out by council chiefs after sparking outrage from residents.

Resident Bill Watton wants to put three caravans – containing two gipsy households – in the garden at the back of his house in Long Lane, Newtown.

South Staffordshire District Council officers have recommended that the proposals are rejected when they go before a meeting of the authority's planning committee this week.

It comes after more than 70 angry residents flocked to a public meeting over the scheme and vowed to battle the plans. A petition with 132 names has been submitted to planners along with 63 letters of objection.

Villagers object to the caravans being situated on green belt land and say they are concerned about traffic.

Essington Parish Council chairman David Cliff has also called for the councillors to visit the site to see it for themselves.

As part of his application Mr Watton has claimed he needs the new homes as his mother is ill and his son is to marry next year.

Barber, 23, in court on sex charges

A BARBER accused of sexually assaulting women on buses across the Black Country has appeared at court.

Zeeshan Ali, aged 23, of Lichfield Road, Walsall, appeared at Walsall Magistrates Court on August 7.

He is accused of sexually assaulting five women over the course of four months this year. Three of the attacks are said to have happened on buses in the area.

He is also accused of sexually assaulting a woman on her way home in Wolverhampton Road, Walsall, and another woman at Walsall bus station.

Ali appeared at the Stafford Street magistrates court only to identify himself and have the charges put to him, to which he indicated no plea.

He has now been remanded in custody and will be at Wolverhampton Crown Court on November 1.

Suspended sentence for prolific fuel thief

A THIEF who drove off from 21 petrol stations across the Black Country without paying during a seven-month stealing spree has been given a suspended prison sentence.

Tadas Prismanas used two cars – both with the same stolen number plate – when he stole fuel from garages throughout the region. The 34-year-old, of West Bromwich, was charged with six offences but asked for another 15 to be considered.

District Judge Graham Wilkinson said he had shown "pure greed" and accused him of helping push up the price of petrol. He was given an 18-week sentence suspended for 18 months and banned from driving for 18 months.

Wolverhampton Magistrates Court heard Prismanas stole from filling stations across Sandwell and in Walsall, Wolverhampton, Dudley and Stafford between January and July last year. The total value of the fuel he stole was more than £1,000 and ranged from £49 to £77 a time.

Prismanas, whose partner is expecting his child, was caught on CCTV but originally claimed he had been bought the petrol legitimately, said Mrs Jayne Yeomans, prosecuting.

Among the stations he targeted were the Millfields Garage in Millfields Road, Bilston, where he took £49.83 of fuel, Tesco at Birmingham New Road, where he pilfered £77.70 of

by Adam Burling

fuel and the Total Service Station in Bilston Road, Wednesbury, making off with petrol worth £50.85.

Other thefts included £45.72 worth from the Co-Op in Dudley Port, £46.36 worth from the BP in Hagley Road West, Quinton, £32.38 fuel from Osprey Filling Station in Wolverhampton Road, Oldbury, £59.81 worth from BP in Stafford Road, Fordhouses and fuel worth £57.98 and £50.85 from the Apple Green Service Station in Cannock Road, Wolverhampton. He also stole fuel in Walsall and Stafford.

The judge told him: "These types of offences are prevalent up and down the country and have a real impact on the price of petrol because the company will cover its losses."

Prismanas pleaded guilty to six counts of making off without paying and asked for 15 more to be taken into consideration. He was ordered to pay compensation for the petrol and will be under curfew on Fridays and Saturdays for three months.

Terror trial next year

A UKRAINIAN man accused of the terror-related murder of an 82-year-old grandfather as he walked home from a mosque in Birmingham will face trial next year.

Pavlo Lapshyn, a postgraduate student from Dnipropetrovsk, is charged with killing Mohammed Saleem in April. The 25-year-old has also been charged with three further offences related to explosions near mosques in Tipton, Walsall and Wolverhampton.

He appeared at the Old Bailey via video link. A provisional trial date was set for January 14. He was remanded in custody. The student was in the UK on a sponsored work placement at a software firm in Small Heath, Birmingham.

The wonder of cue



Elvis, alias Graham Payne, Captain of the Victoria Pool Team in Walsall with the new pool trophy to replace the one stolen from the bar at Birchills Liberal Club

MEMBERS of a Walsall pool team have clubbed together to buy one of their members a new trophy after his was stolen off the club bar.

The Victoria pool team from The Victoria Pub in Lower Rushall Street, were presented with trophies for coming runner-up in division two of the Walsall Pool Federation League in their first season.

Trophies were presented to all seven members of the team at Birchills Liberal Club, but one belonging to 42-year-old Corby Whistler, of Chucky, was later stolen from the bar. A £50 reward was put up for the trophy but nobody came forward.

Since then its members have clubbed together to buy a new one with Mr Whistler's name on it.

Mann's
 CARPETS

**REMNANTS
 CLEARANCE
 SALE NOW ON**

One of the finest
 selections of
 carpets in the Midlands

Open Mon - Sat 9am - 5pm

3 Spires Works, Wolverhampton Road, Walsall WS2 8RQ
 Telephone: 01922 639358/9

The Name You Can Trust

"Improving Homes for over 23 Years"

Windows
 from
£957
 for 6
 windows



Doors
 from
£325



Victorian &
 Edwardian
 Conservatories
 from
£3695



HUGE SAVINGS DURING AUGUST

Feel secure with our
 23 years experience
 and insurance backed
 guarantee

**WINDOWTECH
 INTERFRAME**

www.windowtech.uk.com

Walsall ...01922 455018 Wolverhampton...01902 582051 24 Hr No...07853 248056

Head Office: Windowtech Interframe Limited, Unit 9 Brickyard Road, Aldridge, Walsall WS9 8SR

Factory Showroom opening times: Mon-Fri 10am-5pm; Sat 10am-1pm

GAS IN SAFE HANDS

COPEs

Established 1957
 3rd Generation
 Family Business

REGISTERED GAS INSTALLERS

Plumbing and Heating Engineers

● 7 Years Warranty on all Worcester Bosch Boilers

● Service & Breakdown Specialists

● Fires & Cookers Installed

● Bathroom Installations

Tel: 01902 606707

Mobile: 07850 864032

www.copesheating.co.uk



Fans in rescue bid for old club

FANS of crisis-hit Darlston Town Football Club are holding a meeting next month to see if the club can be saved or revived under a new identity.

The club, thought to be the second oldest in the country, folded and was pulled from the regional league in a shock move last week after almost 140 years in existence.

Fans have launched a rescue bid and say they are aiming to relaunch the club, which played at the City Ground in Waverley Road, within the next 12 months. They said the club's history was 'too illustrious to let it disappear'.

Darlston Town FC was formed in 1874 and was a founder member of the Midlands league in 1962.

Competing

The team has played at the Waverley Road ground since 1899 and the only time a Darlston team has not been competing in a regional league was during war years.

Fears over the future of the club emerged last year when it needed to raise £15,000 to run for another season and pay bills. Chief executive of the West Midlands Regional League Neil Juggins confirmed the club was no longer part of the league.

"They have folded as far as we are concerned," he said. "They are no longer members of our competition."

A meeting for fans to discuss whether to reform the club – or set up a new one – is being held at Darlston All Active Centre, in Willenhall Road, on September 4 from 7.30pm.

Neil Chambers, a chairman of the club in the 1990s and historian, said: "I have received numerous calls from long time supporters, well wishers and former players asking me if I could do anything to re-form the club or form a new club bearing the town's name."

"I have received calls from as far afield as Manchester, from people who left the town more 40 years ago but still have great affection for the town. They have offered help and support and have even said they will travel to attend future meetings. There is a real enthusiasm from people to form a club to represent the town and if possible keep the name."

Former finance worker's £21k benefits fraud

A FORMER financial worker from Walsall who admitted taking £21,000 with fraudulent claims over six years has avoided jail.

Ronald Cudd claimed the money stating that he was unemployed when in fact he had started a number of businesses.

Mr Patrick Sullivan, prosecuting, told Wolverhampton Crown Court: "The defendant was over paid £21,202.87, of this around £2,000 was made up of council tax benefits. We submit that this was not fraudulent from the outset but was carried out over a substantial period."

Cudd, of Bramble Close, Clayhanger, had

failed to notify a change of circumstances affecting his entitlement to benefits between December 2005 and January 2011.

He also made three dishonest statements to obtain benefits from Walsall Council in 2005, 2006 and 2010.

Proceeds

A proceeds of crime hearing has been scheduled for later this year which could see Cudd have to pay back some – or all – of the money he owes the Department for Working Pensions and Walsall Council.

Mr Stephen Cadwaladr, defending Rudd,

said: "He's 56 years of age and for 36 years he has been in employment. Towards the end of his employment he was a financial worker for Northern Rock."

"What he tried to do was start up various businesses and start up partnerships. The report suggests that Mr Cudd doesn't realise the seriousness of what he has done but he tells me he certainly does. This conviction means he certainly won't be able to work in that line of profession again."

Mr Cadwaladr said Cudd faces the prospect of having to move in with elderly parents.

Cudd was given a six-month sentence suspended for 18 months.

He was also given a 12-month supervision order and ordered to carry out 100 hours of unpaid work.

Judge Amjad Nawaz told Cudd: "You are someone of previous good character but this money was public money and should go to people who deserve to benefit from it."

"You worked in the financial industry and you would have known the resources the authorities place on discovering benefit fraud. It's admitted that your claim wasn't fraudulent from the outset."

Two more convicted in teenager death case

TWO more men have been convicted of being involved in violence on the night a 16-year-old Walsall boy was fatally stabbed in Smethwick, while another has been found not guilty.

Tahj Mills, aged 18, of Waterside Street, West Bromwich, and Jordan Campbell, 18, of Portland Road, Edgbaston, were both last week convicted of violent disorder at Wolverhampton Crown Court.

They were both involved in the violence surrounding the death of 16-year-old schoolboy Ben Morutare on July 28 last year, who was killed by a single stab wound to the leg outside the Smethwick Home Guard and Old Comrades Club in Smethwick.

Tobias Blake, 20, of Kelsall Croft, Ladywood, was found guilty of violent disorder earlier last week.

Party

Mills and Campbell were both found guilty by a majority verdict of 10 to two by the jury. There was shouting from the public gallery as Campbell's conviction was announced.

Both have now been remanded in custody until a sentence hearing, which is expected to be on September 20.

Meanwhile a third defendant, Kwame Phillips, 18, from Edgbaston, was found not guilty of violent disorder after a trial of more than two months.

The remaining defendant, Aaron Parkins, 19, whose address cannot be reported for legal reasons, is still awaiting a verdict. He denies violent disorder.

Ben, of Holden Crescent, Coalpool, died from the stab wound to his leg, with wit-



Stabbing victim Ben Morutare

nesses in the trial claiming up to 80 men had chased him.

He was attending an 18th birthday party at the club and was found injured on grass nearby. He later died at Birmingham Children's Hospital.

During the trial it has been claimed by a number of witnesses that Ben was killed after trying to defend one of his friends from a group of youths.

Two weeks ago Andy Ly had a plea of manslaughter accepted, despite having been on trial for murder for around five weeks.

He also pleaded guilty to one count of violent disorder. His charge of murder was ordered to lie on file.

A seventh defendant, Omar Robinson, pleaded guilty to one count of violent disorder at the same time as Ly.

He was also on trial for murder but was told by the judge that he had no case to answer.

Shocking images of attack on Ben



Killer Ly lunges towards his victim as the gang looks on



Ly is restrained by friends after the fatal attack on Ben

THE devastated family of Walsall teenager Ben Morutare have agreed to release shocking footage of his attack to deter people from getting into violent crime.

CCTV footage shows the final moments of the tragic schoolboy who was knifed while trying to protect a friend during a night of violence at a birthday party in Smethwick in July last year.

Andy Ly, from Ladywood, Birmingham, has admitted the manslaughter of the teenager who was killed by a single stab wound to the leg outside the Smethwick Home Guard and Old Comrades Club.

A further five men have also been convicted or admitted to crimes which include violent disorder and possession of a weapon in connection with the death.

Detective Inspector Gary Plant from the force's Major Investigation Review

Team, said Ben's family had made the brave step to allow footage from the night to be released. The footage had been shown to the jury during the two-month trial, showing a huge gang of yobs advancing on the diminutive figure of 5ft 2ins Ben before Ly attacks.

Tribute

DI Plant said: "The weight of evidence against these men, from witnesses and CCTV, was significant. Ben's family have agreed to some of those shocking scenes to be shared in a bid to deter others from becoming involved in similar unnecessary violence."

Ben's mother, Grace Morutare, paid tribute to her son saying the fact the family will never see Ben again was the 'most painful and unbearable thought'.

The investigation team trawled through hours of CCTV footage from the club and surrounding area to

provide evidence for the trial. Images of the violence included footage specially enhanced by the FBI which captured the moment Ly attacked Ben in Chatwin Street.

Ben, of Holden Crescent, Coalpool, was among some 300 youngsters who had packed into the club on Oldbury Road after the joint birthday party was advertised on Facebook.

A fight broke out between Ben's friends and a group of youths. One of Ben's friends was chased the length of Fenton Street and into St Paul's Road, where he was assaulted and robbed. While some of the group were chasing the youngster, others turned on Ben, chasing the Zimbabwe-born schoolboy across a car park into Chatwin Street. Witnesses claimed up to 80 men chased him. One witness said he saw Ben on the ground being punched and kicked.

The footage can be seen at the www.expressandstar.com website.

NEWS

in brief

Town-wide pub ban punishment

TROUBLEMAKERS in pubs in Brownhills could face a 12-month ban from other bars in the town, under a new scheme.

Two customers have already been served with notices banning them from all premises involved in the Brownhills Pub-watch scheme.

It was introduced following talks between police and pub bosses and it is hoped it will deter anti-social behaviour.

Police said consultations had been held with staff from pubs in the town, including The Swan, The Anchor Inn, Hussey Arms, White Horse, The Crown, Prince of Wales, Chase Inn and Smithy's Forge.

Troublemakers who cause problems in one pub face a blanket ban. Each case will be considered on an individual basis.

Go-ahead given for homes at church

AN EMPTY vandal-hit church in Darlston will be demolished and replaced with homes.

Plans to replace the former St Andrew's Church with five homes were given the go-ahead after historic locally-made stained glass windows were removed and put in storage, with aim to preserve them for public display in the town.

Three of the windows, depicting the Good Shepherd, St Andrew and St George, were installed in 1919 as a memorial to 1914-18 war dead.

MP is opposing school site plan

WALSALL South MP Valerie Vaz and residents are objecting to plans for new homes on a former school site.

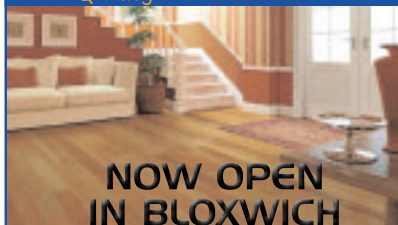
An outline planning application has been put together for the old Three Crowns School in Skip Lane. It was closed in 2006 and Ms Vaz has sent a written objection to Walsall Council raising concerns over the loss of green belt land.

Blood donors are sought by NHS

THE NHS is appealing for volunteers to attend a blood donor session in Aldridge at the community centre on Middlemore Lane, on Friday, August 23, between either 1.30pm and 3.30pm or 4.30pm and 7.30pm. Call 0300 123 23 23 to book an appointment.

Click Flooring

Quality Floors 4 less



NOW OPEN IN BLOXWICH

WHY PAY MORE ANYWHERE ELSE?

- Laminates
- Hardwood
- Solid Wood
- Safety Floors etc

PRE-FINISHED SKIRTING BOARDS
Choice of five colours.
2.5 metres long, 150mm x 18mm
ONLY £10 a length

High Street, Bloxwich, Walsall WS3 3LN
01922 495525

"Local - Friendly - Professional"

WE SPECIALISE IN THE REPLACEMENT OF:
Misted / Broken Double Glazed Units
PVCu Windows and Doors
Faulty Handles, Locks and Hinges

WE OFFER:

- Quality Products
- Competitive Prices
- Friendly & Professional Service
- Guarantees on all work



we are only a phone call away

01922 601495

07949 487835

for a free quotation



BLINDS

WALSALL - www.blind-deals.co.uk

GREAT DEAL!

£90

3 child safe verticals

BEST DEAL!

£139

5 child safe verticals

ALL PRICES INCLUDE FREE MEASURE & FITTING
HUGE CHOICE OF POPULAR FABRICS &
GENEROUS SIZE RESTRICTIONS

CALL FREE



contact your local advisor to see our fabric range & other available deals

0800 0214266

NEWS

THE BEST
OF PETER
RHODES

IT AIN'T my dog. My dog got stolen last week. I sold it years ago. The law on dogs that kill may be toughened up to include life sentences but killer-dog owners are not blessed with much in the way of brains and will already be rehearsing their excuses. They come from the same thick segment of the underclass which chucks bricks off motorway bridges or steals signalling wire from railways and is surprised when a crash ensues. Worst of all, the new dog laws will be reactive. First we must wait until the slavering beast that everyone in the street knows is a potential killer actually kills someone. Better by far to pick up Chummy and his attack dog before any damage is done, identify it as a menace and have it destroyed. The dog, that is, not the owner. Mind you . . .

□□□□□□□□

AFTER playing the foul-mouthed Malcolm Tucker in *The Thick of It*, Peter Capaldi is the new star of the BBC's longest-running sci-fi drama. Forthcoming episodes include *Dr Who* and the ****ing Daleks, *Dr Who Gives the Cybermen a right ****ing Pasting* and *Dr Who Kicks Seven Sorts of **** out of those Stone Angels*.

□□□□□□□□

WE NOW have almost 800 members of the House of Lords – more old bottoms than red benches to accommodate them. Packing pensioners into a chamber so small is surely a form of elder abuse. The time has come for peers to be appointed not for life but for five or 10 years. After that they could keep the title but hang up their ermine, clear out of Westminster and make space for another backside.

□□□□□□□□

A SURVEY finds that a quarter of parents let their children aged 12-15 try alcohol on holiday. Fleet Street's finest have been debating whether this is a wise way to introduce kids to booze or plain irresponsible. I bet in some cases it's the old parent-as-chum syndrome in which Mum and Dad want to be regarded not as proper grown-ups but as their kids' best pals. We've all seen them, and what a ridiculous sight they are. "We're more like sisters, really," says Mum, buying her 12-year-old daughter a T-shirt with the slogan "Porn Star" and pouring a couple of pina colodas down her innocent neck.

□□□□□□□□

THIS week's furore about the number of charity bosses earning £100,000-plus prompts Sir Stephen Bubb, head of the Association of Chief Executives of Voluntary Organisations to wail: "Many MPs on the Right hate effective charities who campaign." In truth, people don't hate charities. It's just that we're wising up to the fact that some of them are more like big businesses – with one crucial difference. Real companies are set up to make things, maintain things or sell things. They aim to complete every contract and stamp it "Job done." Most big charities have no intention of completing the task they set out to do. They grow and morph, changing their aims and expanding their brief. If you believe the animal charities, Britons are crueler to animals today than they have ever been, and are getting worse. If you believe the child-cruelty charities, Britain is populated largely by baby-batterers. And if you believe the Africa charities, the face of that continent today is exactly what it was 50 years ago, a stick-thin baby holding out a bowl. It seems the more we give, the worse things get.

□□□□□□□□

NICK Hewer of *The Apprentice* memorably dismissed Ed Milliband as "tall, arrogant, weak handshake." Now, the Canadian comedian Stewart Francis says Milliband reminds him of "a security guard who's just heard a noise in the warehouse." Once such images are planted in the public mind they are desperately hard to erase.

□□□□□□□□

AS THE food biffins tinker with stem cells to create the world's first artificial burger, whatever happened to all that Tomorrow's World stuff about a machine to turn grass into milk? We have the grass. We have the plastic bottles. It seems quite bizarre that we still rely on cows to do the bit in between.

Don't miss Peter Rhodes every Monday to Friday in your Express & Star

Community could buy popular pub

CAMPAIGNERS rallying to save a pub in Walsall from being turned into shops will hold talks over getting the community to join forces in a bid to buy it and keep it open.

Hundreds of objections were lodged against plans to convert The Magic Lantern in Beechdale into shopfronts, prompting a decision to be deferred by Walsall Council planning chiefs.

Real ale buff Keith Watkins, Walsall CAMRA's pub preservation officer, and Councillor Tina Jukes, are now calling a meeting with pub staff to see if it is viable to form a community group which can raise funds to buy the pub under a community asset transfer programme.

The suggestion was put forward by Walsall Council leader Mike Bird during a planning meeting at which

a decision over the future of the pub was deferred.

Mr Watkins said under the scheme at least 21 people would have to nominate the pub as an asset of community value to the council.

If accepted, the interested parties could then have the opportunity to form a trust or community group to buy the pub within six months.

Mr Watkins said he was hoping to

hold a meeting with Councillor Jukes and the manager of the pub in the near future to discuss the options available to save the pub from closure. He added: "We need better protection for pubs. There's very little protection for pubs unless they are listed."

Councillor Jukes, who represents Birchills-Leamore, said the pub was the 'hub' of the community.

Bedroom tax fight taken to Chequers

A WALSALL MP has said there will continue to be opposition to the controversial 'bedroom tax'.

The changes which have come in will see tenants have their housing benefit cut if they have one or more spare bedrooms.

There has been widespread opposition to the system which has seen some people fall into arrears – and now Labour MPs have taken the campaign against the tax to the Prime Minister's country house residence.

Disabled

Walsall North MP Mr Winnick said: "It is part of the legislation that even where the tenants are disabled, unless a carer stays overnight, the tax will apply where it is considered there is a spare bedroom."

"With other Labour MPs, I went to Chequers on April 5, since we wanted to know how many spare bedrooms were not being used regularly there."

"Not surprisingly, we were not allowed inside, but it has not been challenged that there are regularly many empty bedrooms at Chequers, and the building is maintained annually by public funds."

School gets more rooms

A PRIMARY school in Walsall will be expanded with six extra classrooms after plans were given the go-ahead.

More than 120 letters and a petition of 323 signatures were submitted in support of plans for a two-storey extension at Park Hall Junior Academy.

Plans were approved by councillors after the existing buildings were branded overcrowded with inadequately-sized classrooms.

Ten letters of objection were received over the plans from nearby residents concerned about partial loss of a play area at the Park Hall Road school.

£2m staff bill

MORE than £2 million was spent on recruiting agency staff for schools and education centres in Walsall. The money was used on temporary workers during the 2012-13 school year. The money is used to cover sickness and maternity.

Football hooligans admit roles in brawl

SIXTEEN football hooligans – including four teenagers – have admitted taking part in a massive town centre brawl before a Walsall away match against Shrewsbury Town.

The violence happened before the League One match on October 14 last year. The fans have been warned by a judge that they could face lengthy bans from football matches for their actions.

The fighting in Shrewsbury started in Mardol before spilling into Smithfield Road in front of horrified Sunday shoppers.

Three police officers were injured as they tried to restore order, including Pc Lee Saunders, who suffered a broken leg.

Last week, when they appeared at Shrewsbury Crown Court, all 16 defendants were banned from attending any Premier League or Football League matches until they are sentenced. They must also stay away from Shrewsbury's Greenhous Meadow stadium as a condition of being granted bail.

Fifteen of the defendants admitted charges of violent disorder. They were Shrewsbury residents Russell Wilson, aged 47, Lewis Gardiner, 18, Alexander Pugh, 18, Calum Marsh, 23, Stephen Hawkesford, 36, David Jones, 36, Callum Gwilliams, 19, Luke Dodd, 24, 19-year-old Aaron

by Craig Hughes

Pinches, Daniel Jones, 25, Shaun Peach, 24, and Simon Llewellyn, 34, as well as Paul Walker, 42, and Andrew Copeland, 38, both from Church Stretton, and Ross Gall, 29, from Weston-super-Mare.

Another man, Talal Alsadek, 29, from Shrewsbury, denied a charge of violent disorder but admitted encouraging other people to engage in violence. He will not face trial for the violent disorder charge.

Judge Robin Onions said the men could all face longer bans from football matches as part of their sentences, and granted them all conditional bail. They will all be sentenced in the week of September 16.

Two other men have denied charges of assault occasioning actual bodily harm. They will face trial on a date to be set. In total, 29 people were charged over the incident, and those from the West Midlands will appear at Shrewsbury Crown Court this week.

Pride at award for wood

THE retention of the Green Flag award at a Walsall nature reserve has been hailed as "fantastic" news for the borough.

It is the fourth year running that Merriens Wood, known for its carpet of bluebells, has achieved the award.

The Green Flag Award is the national standard for parks and green spaces in England and Wales, recognising and rewarding the best green spaces in the country.

Councillor Rose Martin, chairwoman of the Friends of Merriens Wood, said: "This is fantastic news for a beautiful amenity that thousands of people get a lot of enjoyment from. To retain the Green Flag for another year is something that everyone associated with Merriens Wood should be really proud of."

Double diamond celebration



Diamond day – Stan and Betty Sheldon, left, and Des and Betty Burton from Walsall, celebrate their 60th wedding anniversaries together

TWO couples who are members of the same bowling team have double reason to celebrate with both pairs having their diamond wedding anniversaries on the same day.

Friends Stan and Betty Sheldon and Des and Betty Burton both marked 60 years of marriage this month – having not only tied the knot on the same day but at the same time.

Cruise

And in another coincidence, the two Palfrey couples have both booked to celebrate by going on a cruise. While the Sheldons will head to the Caribbean, the Burtons will sail around the Greek shores.

The two couples met over 40 years ago

with Stan and Des becoming drinking buddies. Then, around 15 years ago, both couples took up bowls and are members of Palfrey Senior Citizens' Club.

It was only when both couples were celebrating their golden wedding anniversaries that they realised they shared the special date. Foundry worker Stan and shop assistant Betty got married at the parish church in Wednesbury while just up the road driver Des and buckle strap maker Betty had their service at St Paul's church in Walsall.

Mr Sheldon, aged 80, said: "It is an amazing coincidence. We had known each other for years and then only within the last 10 years did we realise we got married at the same time on the same day."

'ARRY'S GROUND FORCE

- Car Parks, Forecourts
- Complete Front & Back Garden Landscaping
- We also build extensions & conservatories
- 20% discount
- Tarmac
- Graveling
- Trees Lopped
- Quality Paving
- Cotswold Stoning
- Ornamental Walls

All Work Carries 10 Year Guarantee

01922 405760 / 07720 348338

www.arrysgroundforce.co.uk

DEAN HARPER
Funeral Directors & Stonemasons
A Compassionate Caring Service.

BEST OF WALSALL
1ST PLACE AWARD WINNER FOR 2011 & 2012

Proud to be a Family Owned Business with Three Generations

New Memorial Headstone Showroom

Home Arrangements
Pre-Paid Funeral Plans
5 Minutes from the Registrar's
Free Legal & DSS Advice

21 ~ 23 Lichfield Street, Walsall, WS1 1TJ
24 Hours Tel: 01922 63 88 55
www.deanharperfuneraldirectors.co.uk

thebestofwalsall

Traditional, Contemporary, Exquisite Chocolate

We will create your masterpiece

Fletcher's Cake Studio Ltd.

Fletcher's Cake Studio Ltd
22 Stafford Street
Walsall
WS2 8DG

Tel 01922 635269

10% off all 2013/14

Wedding Cakes on production of this voucher

Stray dog kennel bill is proving expensive

COUNCILS are spending tens of thousands of pounds on kennelling fees each year for hundreds of stray dogs collected – and Walsall is one of the worst affected boroughs.

Authorities are becoming concerned over the spiralling costs as officers are spending a considerable amount of time chasing and collecting the animals.

Walsall Council collected the highest number of strays between April and July with 189 dogs taken in.

The authority, which spends almost £50,000 per year on kennelling fees, said it attempts to trace owners but dogs that are held for seven days become the legal property of the council.

The council then has to find space in rehoming centres, which are already full to bursting point.

Heartbreaking

Vicky Pratley, Walsall Council's animal control officer, said: "I come across many, many cases of animals in distress. It's heartbreaking."

In Wolverhampton, there were 164 stray dogs collected during the same period and the authority spent just over £50,000 on day-time kennelling fees in the last financial year.

There were 140 strays seized between April and June in Dudley, where the council invests around £10,000 each year on a kennels contract.

In Sandwell, 84 stray dogs were collected from the streets between April and June.

But, fewer strays were collected in Walsall this year compared to the 269 seized from April to July 2012.

County health role for Manor

WALSALL'S Manor Hospital still has a major role to play in the future of Cannock Hospital, administrators say.

Alan Bloom, an administrator tasked with transforming the troubled Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust, has called for discussions between Walsall chief executive Richard Kirby and New Cross boss David Loughton to continue.

Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust is keen to run services at Cannock and has plans for a £6m extension at its maternity unit to cope with extra births from Staffordshire.

More than £400k to be spent on route's single deckers

MORE than £400,000 is being invested in new buses to improve services along a key route through Walsall.

The cash is being ploughed into boosting the number nine route between Walsall, Darlaston and Lodge Farm.

Arriva Midlands is investing more than £420,000 on three new buses as part of an agreement with the transport authority Centro. The move will see Centro carry on subsidising journeys on the route before 9.30am at a cost of £17,000 a year.

The new single deckers include low floors to make it easier for passengers. A regular 20-minute service is being provided.

Alex Perry, regional managing director for Arriva Midlands, said: "We are pleased to announce the investment on route nine for travellers within the Black Country. It will not only improve the existing service for our customers but we hope that, through our partnership with Centro, we will also be able to raise awareness of the options available in the area so that they will be better informed when considering bus travel for their future transportation needs."

Councillor Richard Worrall, Centro's lead member for Walsall, added: "I am delighted to see Arriva investing in improved services with environmentally-friendly and easy-access buses."

"It's also pleasing to see Centro working with its private sector partner to make the most of the number nine service for the benefit of the communities it serves and links."

It comes as other services were improved earlier this year including the 19 Arriva bus between Bloxwich and New Cross. Plans for a £14 million interchange in Bradford Place are being drawn up.

An £80,000 revamp of facilities has also been completed at the main St Paul's bus station. There had been controversial plans for a 20p charge for toilets at the station. Turnstiles were installed at the toilets but not activated after protests from individuals and Walsall Pensioners' Convention.

Hammer thug sent to prison for seven years

A THUG who battered a pensioner over the head with a hammer and terrified the victim's wife before stealing the couple's new car was starting a seven-year jail sentence.

by John Scott

Philip Humpage was high on drugs when he launched the horrifying Easter Monday attack, Wolverhampton Crown Court heard last week.

The 40-year-old knocked at the front door of Philip Martin, aged 65, claiming that a criminal had just jumped over the fence into the back garden in Harpur Road, Rushall, prosecutor Mr Robert Cowley said.

Struck

Mr Martin went to check and was struck with the hammer after emerging from his garage, the court was told.

Mr Cowley said: "The victim was pushed by the defendant who produced a bricklayer's hammer and struck the left side of the head of Mr Martin."

The attacker then demanded the keys to the family's £11,000 Volkswagen Polo and Mr Martin was repeatedly hit on the head, face and legs after revealing he did not have the keys, the court heard.

Mr Cowley continued: "Mrs Martin heard the commotion and went into the garage to find her husband lying bleeding on the floor."

"Humpage held the hammer above her, repeatedly demanding the keys to

the car and she decided it was best to co-operate."

She got the keys which were grabbed by Humpage who drove off at around 10.30am in the Polo, which was later found abandoned nearby.

The defendant was formally identified by Mrs Martin after being arrested four days later.

It transpired that he was on bail for the theft of a delivery van after the driver left it with the keys in the ignition while taking a package to a house in Hardern Road, Walsall, where the defendant lived.

Mr Martin needed 14 stitches and has developed eyesight problems.

Both he and his wife are now 'edgy and jumpy' in their own home.

Mr Oliver Woolhouse, defending, said: "It was a dreadful crime."

"The defendant remembers nothing of it but accepts full responsibility and does not use his addiction as an excuse for his shameful behaviour."

Humpage, who had a string of previous convictions, pleaded guilty to theft, robbery and attempted robbery.

Couple face fraud charges

A HUSBAND and wife have appeared at court in connection with a £30,000 fraud against a relative in Walsall.

Elizabeth Parsons, 75, and Trevor Parsons, 71, are accused of taking the cash belonging to Maureen Parsons, who has Down's syndrome and suffers from dementia.

The couple, of Chapel Street, Pelsall, entered no pleas to fraud charges and were unconditionally bailed to Wolverhampton Crown Court on November 4.

All aboard for play bus memories



Community Playbus Co-ordinator Jackie Hewitt with a selection of toys which will be on display at Walsall Museum

VINTAGE children's games have gone on display as part of an exhibition to mark 30 years of Walsall's community playbus.

A selection of the best entertainment and photographs from over the decades are being displayed at Walsall Museum.

The playbus toured around the borough from 1983 offering the chance for young people to enjoy a range of activities from games, sewing to reading.

In total more than 30 toys will be available to view at the Lichfield Street venue. An interactive story

timeline is also in place. The exhibition launched last week and will be on view until the end of August.

Around 300,000 children across Walsall benefited from the play bus which offered a mixture of arts and crafts. The first one was in 1983 and it was replaced by a newer version in 1999.

Truck

The scheme was updated when the Move truck, which incorporates an information area, chill out and debating section, computer suite, Wii fit, and music mixing decks, was introduced in 2010.

That was a year after Reach Up play equipment was brought into use for young people.

Jackie Hewitt has been the community play bus co-ordinator for 30 years.

The 60-year-old said: "I still walk down the street and people say to me they remember going on the playbus. It was coming into their street and was their bus. A lot of children grew up with it."

Jennifer Thomson, community history curator at Walsall Museum, said there were a lot of toys which would bring back memories for a lot of people.

NEWS

in brief

Many post boxes are disappearing

MORE than 80 post boxes have been lost across the Black Country and surrounding areas during the last five years. Pleck and Bentley in Walsall were the worst affected, with more than a fifth of their post boxes being closed.

The WS postal district now has a total of 492 post boxes, down from 519 five years ago. A total of 17 boxes have been closed in Walsall borough with a further three each lost in Cannock, Rugeley and Lichfield, and one in the WS6 area covering Great Wyrley and Cheslyn Hay.

Councillor Dennis Anson, who represents Pleck ward, said: "I would imagine that this is down to costs but the price of stamps has not been coming down."

Val Bodden of Royal Mail said: "The number of postboxes in the UK – in both rural and urban areas – has remained stable for the past decade."

Thor's Cave an option on ramble

WALSALL Ramblers will be heading to the Manifold Valley, near Ashbourne for a 10-mile circular walk on Sunday.

This is a moderately strenuous walk in north Staffordshire through the villages of Wetton, Warslow, Butterton and Grindon with an optional visit to Thor's Cave.

Non-members are welcome and should contact the walk leader on 01543 321770.

Shrubs subject at next meeting

WALSALL Fuchsia and Flower Society will hold its monthly meeting on Monday at Walsall Labour Club, in Church Road, Pelsall, at 7.30pm. The guest speaker is Justin Harrison, who will be talking about autumn and winter shrubs.

Two new homes at former car park

HOMES are to be built on a disused car park in Brownhills after receiving the go-ahead from council planners. Two new three-bedroom properties are to be built in Poplar Road.

Check health at event next month

HEALTH checks and advice will be available during a healthy living event in Bloxwich at the Stan Ball Centre in Abbotts Street on September 25 from 11am to 2pm.

Walsall Fireplaces @ Traditional Settings

MELFORD POLAR WHITE MARBLE WITH LIGHTS £685

with

FREE ELECTRIC OR GAS FIRE

(When we say its FREE its FREE)

Ablewell St., Walsall Tel: (01922) 644407

STEAMED UP DOUBLE GLAZING?

Don't replace the Frames... just the Panes!

**Broken or Damaged Windows?
Faulty Hinges, Handles or Locks?
Want the latest energy saving glass?
5 year guarantee on new double glazing!**

cloudy2 CLEAR WINDOWS
REPLACING YOUR FAILED DOUBLE GLAZING

Freephone 0800 612118

...we make saving money perfectly clear...

www.cloudy2clear.com

NEWS FEATURE

IN MY VIEW

WITH
MARK
ANDREWS

WHAT is up with the people of the West Midlands? The first half-decent summer in years, and suddenly there is an outbreak of rampant nudism. Last week it was an application for a nude reading group in Dudley library, this week it is a nudist bar at an hotel in Erdington.

Regarding the latter proposal, Councillor Robert Alden fears it would attract teenagers and troublemakers, and lead to a rise in inappropriate behaviour and displays of flesh.

Really? Do you get teenage nudists? I always assumed, based on reports in all the good tabloids, you understand, that all nudists were at least 60 years old, had bulging beer guts, and were preferably German.

While the scenario outlined by Councillor Alden seems a tad far-fetched, it would at least make for a few laughs.

Who would stop all these teenage nudist troublemakers from gatecrashing? Maybe they would need to hire some naked bouncers, but where would they hang their walkie talkies? Still, there would be no need to frisk anyone on the door.

Hotel owner Tim Higgs says the councillor had completely misunderstood the proposals, saying he only wants to serve drinks on the lawn.

"It is a spa, a respectful, quality establishment for nudists, not a pub. You can't just come in off the street," he says, adding that councillors were free to visit the premises whenever they wished. Sounds like a site visit to me.

Still, this seems positively normal compared to the application for a nude reading group at Dudley library. Why would anyone want to spend their weekends in a public library reading paperbacks in the buff? In what should surely have been flagged up in a section marked 'too much detail', the group said they would be bringing their own towels to keep the furniture clean.

□□□□□ NICE to see that the Spanish Government has shown calm and restraint in the debate about Gibraltar's sovereignty.

After Spain brought its border with Gibraltar to a standstill with a range of checks and controls not seen since the days of Franco, the British Government has responded with a threat of legal action.

The Royal Navy is now sending warships to the Mediterranean, while Spain is threatening to gang up with Argentina by supporting its stance over the Falklands.

If that is not enough, the Spanish town of Candelera has now named one of its streets after, ahem, John Major. This one is going to get very ugly indeed.

MEANWHILE, over at the Edinburgh fringe festival, playwright Kevin Toolis unveils his latest work, a political satire entitled *The Confessions of Gordon Brown*. And no, it doesn't star Robin Askwith.



Dave in a car driven by pal Davey Jones



The star winger, third from left, when Wolves won the League Cup in 1974



Dave signs memorabilia a reunion dinner

Old golden wonder Waggy's glory days

MARTIN SWAIN takes an affectionate look back at the life and times of Wolves favourite Dave Wagstaffe, who died last week at 70

THERE are some footballers who just have it, who capture that part of us which will forever be childlike in our appreciation, who give the beautiful game the wonder that captures our hearts.

Dave Wagstaffe was one of those men. He was not Wolves' most successful player. Waggy won a promotion, a League Cup, and a runners-up medal from the now defunct UEFA Cup.

Nor could we say he was the club's greatest, not with a cast-list of such celebrated figures who piled up championships and international caps. But Waggy was that little bit special; a footballer who for a generation of fans – and not necessarily just of gold and black persuasion – brought the promise of something exciting, something different and magical to their Saturday afternoons.

He was right for the times, of course. The Christmas of 1964 brought him to Molineux and I Feel Fine was No.1 to provide a fitting signature launch to a Wolves career perfectly tailored to the changing mood of a nation caught up in the excitement of that decade.

He was a maverick, a scamp, a bit of old-fashioned working class kid of the street realising that the old days of deference were coming to an end. Even Bill McGarry, a manager he disliked and who evoked the same sternness that Stan Cullis brought to Molineux's corridors, turned a blind eye to Waggy's infamous tag in the toilets just before kick-off and usually at half time.

But perhaps the spirit and magic of



Wolves legend Waggy in action against Arsenal's Brendon Batson in 1973

Dave Wagstaffe is best captured in the recollections from a pal who spent his formative years in wide-eyed wonder at the winger who could send the North Bank the wrong way with one drop of his shoulder.

Recalling his debut against Aston Villa, he recalled: "Of course, this was in the days before Twitter or Facebook had even been thought of never mind invented and we turned up at Molineux on Boxing Day for the Villa game when they announced over the tannoy: 'And at No.11 today, a change from the programme for Wolves, Dave Wagstaffe.'"

"I can still hear the murmur that

went round the ground. You can't imagine it now but that was the first we heard about it. I think they had only signed him that morning.

"I remember it so well because it would be the day one great Wolves career ended – Peter Broadbent played his last game – and another began. Because Waggy stepped out and held us spellbound that day and for the next 10 years. The pitch was frosty and hard as you can imagine but what balance – and his left foot was just magical. Mystical. Such a left foot. 'Wagstaffe – Dougan – Richards – goal!' We seemed to hear that all the time over the next 10 years."

His finest performance, many reckoned, came in that away leg of the 1972 UEFA Cup final when that faultless left foot gave Wolves hope of overturning the decisive defeat in the home leg against Spurs with a quite stunning goal. Bill Nicholson, the double-winning legendary Tottenham manager, admitted afterwards the better team had lost and that Waggy had frightened the life out of him.

And there were the escapades and stories to go with his vibrant football, of course, vividly captured by the man himself in his autobiography 'Waggy's Tales'.

Remember that summer tour to the States where the team played as 'Los Angeles Wolves' in a mini-season and word came back that the left winger was quitting the game to become – of all things – road manager to The Monkees?

Illuminate

It wasn't that far from truth either as the American pop band's lead singer, Dave Jones, was a schoolboy friend from Waggy's Manchester upbringing and the Wolves footballer was half tempted with a rock star lifestyle. Of course he was. But thankfully, he stayed to illuminate the first half of the Seventies before drifting into a retirement that, shorn of the millionaire's pile a player of his calibre would earn today, took him back to his own folk.

He ran a hotel in Blackpool, returned to this city to run pubs in Bushbury and Castlecroft and, naturally, Waggy's Bar at Molineux.

His final appearance at Molineux was to receive his induction to the club's Hall of Fame. As a member of the committee charged with the task of nominations, I won't be alone in thanking providence we got to him in the nick of time.

It was clear from that evening's reception just how cherished he is and always will be in the hearts and minds of Wolves fans.

● To view the Express & Star's last video with Waggy at the Hall of Fame Dinner in January click on www.expressandstar.com

THROUGH THE YEARS

1983...

A TEENAGER from Tettenhall went to mow the meadow – and ended up in the canal. Richard Rochelle was cutting the grass on a Black Country industrial estate when his motor mower careered down a bank into the water.

CANDIDATES in the Bilston East by-election were hard at work helping people at opposite ends of the age scale. Conservative candidate Peter Hazeldine sorted out a road surface wrangle for elderly residents, while Liberal-SDP Alliance representative Ann Nightingale opened a playground for youngsters.

AN Oldbury father and son ended up in beds next to each other at hospital on the same day. Thomas O'Connor was taken to Sandwell District General Hospital after complaining of stomach pains, where he was joined by son, Stephen, who was having his appendix removed.

1993...

AN iron horse almost sparked a stampede scare after a train passenger mistook a sculpture for the real thing. Police launched a search after an elderly woman reported seeing a charging horse near the line at Coseley.

STARS from the Midlands music scene turned out in force to pay tribute to a Kingswinford musician who co-founded pop group The Wonder Stuff. Members of Pop Will Eat Itself and Ned's Atomic Dustbin were amongst 60 mourners who paid tribute to Rob Jones at St Mary's Church in Kingswinford.

A NEWLYWED from Wolverhampton was facing six months away from her American husband because US officials refused to allow her to enter the country. Leesa Alexander was told she would have to wait for her immigration papers to be processed.

2003...

A FOOTBALL-MAD Tipton teenager snapped up the world record for having his photograph taken with the most players. Aston Villa fan Thomas Gill made the Guinness Book of Records after having his picture taken with 510 players, including David Beckham and Alan Shearer.

WOLVES fans besieged the Molineux hotline for tickets for the game against Manchester United at Old Trafford – only to be left on hold for hours after a switchboard breakdown.

SPECIAL transport was laid on in Wolverhampton to help A-level students attend classes in city schools and colleges. The scheme was aimed at increasing learning opportunities for the city's students.

half price

with all our fully fitted bedrooms

plus a free bed

4 Years 0% interest free credit

starplan

10 Year guarantee

free delivery & installation

made in the UK by starplan

free home design service

choice UK's largest selection

Walsleybury 0121 506 4290 (ask for 11 110)

Edingrove 0121 381 9640 (ask for 11 110)

Salford 0121 746 4800 (ask for 11 110)

Coseley 0192 458 3999 (ask for 11 110)

Also stores at Warrington, Stoke & Bolton

Small Print: Offer only available when you buy 2 or more pieces from our range. Bedroom range. Free bed offer ends 31.8.13. Credit is 0% APR Representative.

BRITISH MADE by starplan

large range of beds in store

Bring your bedroom ideas for a free no obligation quote

Have fun with our interactive bedroom ranges at www.starplanbedrooms.com

hurry must end soon!

LETTERS

Hospital parking clogs streets

MYSELF and other residents living on the surrounding streets by Manor Hospital are still having to complain to Walsall Council, local councillors and o Walsall South Area Partnership about Manor Hospital staff and visitors still clogging up the surrounding streets with their vehicles. Nothing has been done by them to resolve this problem in over 15 years.

Streets surrounding the hospital - Manor Road, Scarborough Road, Forrester Street, Ida Road and Flaxhall Street - have been left with litter for weeks, road drains have been blocked causing flooding on some streets, all because staff and visitors to the hospital clog up the streets seven days a week.

One resident on Scarborough Road told me he has been late to get to work because of hospital staff blocking his drive and parents have said they have taken their children to school late for the same reasons.

As I live by the hospital and see these problems on the surrounding streets and talked to many residents over many years, I know they are all fed up with continuing parking problems caused by staff and visitors to the hospital over 15 years. When is the council going to do something about this problem?

The council had to a special street clean on August 8 on Scarborough Road and Forrester Street. Residents had to come out before 7am to stop staff who start work early parking, so the street could get cleaned.

The extra car park spaces at the hospital have not resolved this problem, which residents predicted.

I have talked to a few hospital staff and visitors to Manor Hospital and asked why they don't use the car park spaces provided at the hospital. They reply 'it is too expensive' and 'We can park here on this street for free'.

We even have staff at the hospital

who have parking stickers on their car windscreens but still park on Scarborough Road and Ida Road.

There are simple solutions to this parking problem, residents can be given parking permits and double yellow lines should be put outside the Shelley Campus side of Scarborough Road. As vehicles are parked on both side on this street, buses have had difficulty getting up this road.

If these suggestions are put in place, staff and visitors to the hospital will have no choice but to use the car parks at the hospital.

Residents are angry our local councillors and council officers have done nothing about this problem, which they have been told about and shown pictures of by myself.

Not one thing has been put in place to stop this problem.

ARJUN CHAND
resident near Manor Hospital

Education is the answer

TODAY (Thursday) students will receive their exam results. Good luck to you all. Michael Gove's proposed reforms have met with a mixed response from parents, teachers and examiners. They also threaten the validity of the existing exam system. A nasty little theory lies behind Gove's changes. The National Curriculum changes set out to separate 'quality' people from those deemed less worthy. This based purely on exam results is wrong. Education is lifelong and for all.

Young people have become the victims of excessive, inconsistent and austere policies from Government. Let's hope more young people see education as an answer not a pointless chore.

CLLR DOUG JAMES
Horton Street
Walsall

LETTERS to the Editor

POST

Walsall Chronicle, Chronicle
Editorial, 51-53 Queen Street,
Wolverhampton
WV1 1ES

Letters should be brief and MUST include name, address and telephone number of the writer. The Editor reserves the right to condense letters.

E-MAIL

walsallchronicle@
expressandstar.co.uk

Food banks and soup kitchens are shameful reflection on UK

I HAVE read in the press that Councillor Chris Towe has personally thanked a number of supermarkets for donating quantities of fresh food to local food banks.

I am sorry councillor but I would have a little more respect for you if I could read in the press that you were lambasting your political masters in Westminster for allowing circumstances to develop nationally that establishes a need for food banks and soup kitchens.

Considering that the United Kingdom is one of the wealthiest nations in the world, it is shameful that this situation appears to have become quite a common occurrence.

But what I find particularly offensive is that we are giving many millions of pounds to countries by way of 'aid' with little or no check on how certain despots seem to be wasting it on grandiose schemes to no benefit of their poor and starving peoples for whom it was intended in the first place.

JOHN BIRD
Brownhills

Concern at bad driving

I HAVE to express concern about the drivers who drive through Lane Head, Willenhall, without due care on the four roads that approach Lane Head Bridge.

I have witnessed drivers speeding over the bridge and around the corners. I have waited at crossings on the bridge with my children and on so many occasions drivers have sped past us after the lights have changed to red.

My aim is to get a new 20mph speed limit put in place on all roads approaching Lane Head bridge, with the possibility of further traffic calming measures to follow.

In the meantime, folks, I urge you to keep your speed down to a maximum of 20mph, even if someone behind is revving up behind you, hold firm. Thank you.

CHAD PITT
Willenhall

PVCu Direct

Suppliers and
Installers of...

FENSA



thebestofwalsall



Celebrating our 16th year in business

Suppliers and installers of:-

- Windows
- Doors
- Conservatories
- Patio Doors
- Bi-Fold Doors
- Garage Conversions
- Car Ports
- Fascias, Soffits and Guttering
- Canopies
- Garage Doors

OAP
DISCOUNTS

Amazing August Offers!!!
Free Triple Glazing....
Save ££££ on your
monthly bills



Get Ready For The Summer 3x3 Conservatory
from only £4995



Complete Garage
Conversions from £4500

FREEPHONE 0800 917 5266

No Salesmen - No Pressure

www.pvcudirect.co.uk

Email: pvcudirect@hotmail.co.uk

HEAD OFFICE

Unit 1, Croxtalls Close,
Bloxwich, Walsall WS3 2XT
Tel: 01922 401425
Fax: 01922 475719

SALES OFFICE

154c High Street Bloxwich
Walsall WS3 3JT
Tel: 0800 917 5266

SHOWROOM

34 Portland Road Aldridge
Walsall WS9 8PZ
Tel: 01922 744306

PELSALL

Windows & Glass Ltd

Established in 1989

Call us now

01922 644226

info@pelsallwindows.co.uk

A MEMBER OF FENSA REGISTERED MEMBER NO.31948



70mm internally beaded sculptured
profile 28mm double glazed unit

SHOOT BOLT LOCKING
AS STANDARD

Quality
Products at
affordable
prices

FREE QUOTES

Suppliers and installers
of high quality energy
efficient PVCu products

TRADE ENQUIRIES
WELCOME

Celebrating
24
Years
of service



10 YEAR INSURANCE
BACKED GUARANTEE
NO PRESSURE SELLING



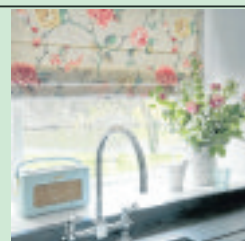
Rollingmill Street
Walsall WS2 9EQ

www.pelsallwindows.co.uk

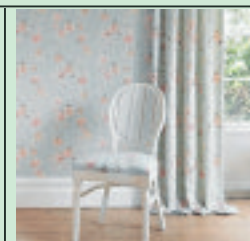
WWW.CAMBERLEYCURTAINS.CO.UK



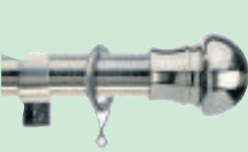
Verticals



Roman Blinds



Custom Curtains



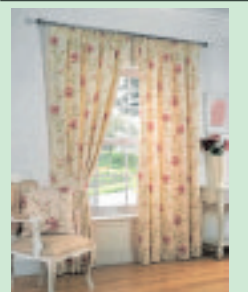
Curtain Poles



Sample Books



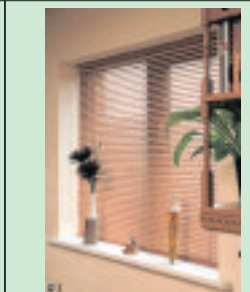
Fabric Samples



Ready Made



Free Quotes



Venetian Blinds



Call Tina or Marie
and request a home visit on
01902 609800

StormSeal
UK LIMITED / Est. 1988
Roofing • Windows • Doors • Porches • Fascias • Conservatories

26 YEARS IN BUSINESS

FREE GLASS ROOF UPGRADE!
for ANY Conservatory over 15 sq.metres

Highest quality energy efficient products from the Midlands **No1** Conservatories/Windows Installer The brand you can trust

BUY NOW, PAY LATER OR 0% INTEREST FREE CREDIT*
We will beat any genuine like for like quote from any established reputable company (10 years plus)*

EDWARDIAN/ VICTORIAN CONSERVATORIES
Fully Fitted Incl. Base From only... **£3999**

No job too big or small - from Windows to Orangeries

Is your roof leaking or need replacing?
• Life expectancy up to 50 years • 20 year guarantee

Walsall 01922 43 09 08

Stratford Upon Avon 01789 270 726 Rugby 01788 211 019
Cannock 01543 401 101 Coventry 012476 960 880
Leamington Spa 01926 702 303 Kidderminster 01562 539 341
Wolverhampton 01902 489 498 Sandwell & Dudley 01384 847 123
Telford 01952 427 667 Birmingham 0121 568 7388
Stafford 01785 318 699 Freephone 0500 77 75 75

Buy with confidence from a well established company registered with company house for other 26 years.

"Thank you to your office staff who co-ordinated everything perfectly"
Mr & Mrs Simmons of Walsall

FENSA
Registered Company 24875

GIFT VOUCHER
In Conjunction with Conservatory Order - One item per customer

Electricity including Fan Lig Air Cooler/Heater Laminate Flooring

For a Free Quotation call Freephone no: 0500 77 75 75 Lines open 24 hours a day
Pinfold Street, Darlaston/Wednesbury WS10 8ST Regional Depot: 0121 568 7388 Fax: 0121 568 8818
Email: sureshielduk@btconnect.com Website: stormsealuk.com
Not to be used in conjunction with any other offer. Voucher must be handed to representative on first visit.

Home Start
Support and friendship for families

Home-Start Walsall is a Registered Charity in England and Wales
number 1112680
Company no. 5575101

Volunteers Wanted!

We need Volunteers to offer practical support, encouragement and reassurance for families with at least one child under the age of 5.

Would you like to be involved in supporting families with young children?

Would you like to be involved in supporting families with healthy lifestyle choices?

Would you like to be involved in supporting parents become more involved in children's play and development?

If you have at least two hours per week to spare, your time and experience of parenting/grandparenting, would make a huge difference to a young family. A volunteer role with Home-Start would increase your knowledge and skills and enhance your CV if you are interested in further training or employment.

Our next courses begin on

Tuesday 17th September 2013 or Wednesday 18th September 2013 from 9.30am until 2.30pm

Full training and travel expenses and childcare costs are provided. CRB checks and references required.

If you are interested, please call the office on 01922 647018 or email admin@homestartwalsall.org.uk



DOUBLE GLAZED UNITS REPLACED

Are your double glazed units misted? Have you got a broken sealed unit? Tired of your old double glazing?

Don't buy a new window! CHANGE THE GLASS UNITS

I also replace Handles, Locking Systems and Hinges for Doors and Windows
For a **FREE** no obligation quote, supplied and fitted

DOUBLE GLAZED UNITS REPLACED

No job too small

Also fit new windows, doors, conservatories, fascias, soffits, guttering and rubberised roofs
Why not upgrade your existing windows with 'A' Rated Glass

Jason Battison

We will beat any like for like quote.
01543 320594 / 07977 000381

Welcome to The Parkbrook Pub and Ann's Thai Restaurant
Traditional Thai Food

We are a traditional Thai restaurant in a traditional English pub. Offering a full Thai service using real Thai ingredients, so you have the meal that brings back memories of your Thailand.

EARLY BIRD OFFER

Any Main Meal Served with Rice for **£6**

Opening times
Evenings 6.00pm to 10.00pm
Takeaway and Evening Meal Menu
Six days a week - closed Monday

The Parkbrook Pub

434 Wolverhampton Road, Walsall, WS2 8RJ
Tel: 01922 622970 or Ann: 07538 049255
Visit us at www.theparkbrookwalsall.co.uk

Top-Quality Biodiesel

EN14214-standard biodiesel for pre-order quantities (min 200 litres) for delivery from September 2013

Call 07432 546777 for prices and delivery options

Clemmy's

WORRIED ABOUT THE COST OF SCHOOL UNIFORMS?

Don't be - visit us and be pleasantly surprised!

Many local schools' uniforms stocked See our website for details www.clemmys.co.uk

Mon - Sat 9am - 5.30pm
57a King Street, Darlaston
0121 526 3992

NEWS

Popular family worker Chris given fond farewell



Chris Burchell, centre with bouquet, is given an emotional send off from colleagues at the Stroud Avenue Family Centre

SHE has given 42 years of service to families across Walsall and colleagues of Chris Burchell gathered to say a fond farewell at her retirement party.

There were tears as staff at Stroud Avenue Family Centre, Willenhall, bid farewell to the long-serving and popular family worker.

Bosses laid on a party with food and soft drinks to thank Mrs Burchell, who worked with vulnerable children and their families, for her commitment and dedication over the years.

Balloons and banners were on

display as friends and colleagues shared fond memories with one another in the centre's garden.

Mrs Burchell, aged 60, who lives in Cheslyn Hay, said: "It has been a lovely day, but quite emotional."

Emotions

"I'm feeling a mixture of emotions. I'm happy to be finishing work, but at the same time I'm sad to be leaving everyone."

"I've worked with so many lovely people over the years."

"I'll miss working with the families and children. I've met some really nice people along the way."

She added: "Different people have been popping in all day and my desk is covered in flowers and other gifts, which is really touching."

"My manager did a lovely speech - funny but, again, quite emotional."

"There have been a few tears today."

The mother-of-one began her career at Central Bay Nursery, in Lichfield Street, Walsall, before it moved to become Teddesley Street Day Nursery, which, in turn, relocated and eventually became Stroud Avenue Family Centre.

During her retirement she plans to buy a caravan and travel with her husband Graham.

Walsall Garden Centre

SHRUBS AND PERENNIALS SALE 20% OFF

New Range Of Bird Care. Crafts Now In Stock.



Sutton Road, Walsall WS9 0QH

Open: Mon - Sat 8.30am - 6.00pm Sunday 10.30am - 4.30pm

Telephone: 01922 454557

THE FORTH & TAY MIDLANDER

FRIDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER (DAY EXCURSION BY DIRECT CHARTER TRAIN) TO DUNDEE VIA THE FAMOUS FORTH BRIDGE & TAY BRIDGE

DIRECT FROM: REDDITCH, BARNET GREEN, BIRMINGHAM NEW ST, SANDWELL & DUDLEY, WOLVERHAMPTON, PENKIRKE, STAFFORD & CREWE

We take a scenic run over the Cambrian Falls including and Scottish Borders before again climbing to Beattock summit. We then head via Central Scotland eventually cross the famous Forth Bridge and follow the beautiful Fife coast, which runs via Kirkcaldy and the miles of Scottish countryside that take us up to Cupar and Leuchars, eventually hitting the banks of the River Tay.

From here we cross the second of Scotland's grand rail bridges the 'Tay Bridge', which is over 2 miles in length affording passengers further spectacular views of Tayside and the 'Kingdom of Fife' at a fairly sedate speed. A break of up to around 2 hours is taken at Dundee. The station is handy for the main amenities. Dundee's most famous attraction is the research ship 'Discovery', the very ship in which Captain Scott and Ernest Shackleton sailed to Antarctica.

TRAIN FARES:

£79 STANDARD CLASS (£64 for child under 16) & £129 FIRST CLASS (all ages)

CALL 0151 722 1147

(10am-6pm weekdays) to book

FURTHER DETAILS & ONLINE BOOKING at

www.compass-toursbyrail.co.uk

All tickets are booked subject to our booking conditions (see website or contact us for a copy). Postal Bookings & Correspondence to: 'Compass Tours', 44 Hobbie Road, Liverpool, L18 0HR. ABTA No. 70113

A Relaxing Journey



Compass Tours by Rail

YOU MAY ALSO BOOK ONLINE AT www.compass-toursbyrail.co.uk



NEWS

Village is blooming



Judges join councillor Mohammad Nazir and Maria Cooke of Aldridge Village Partnership at the assessment. A SEA of colour greeted Britain in Bloom judges as they visited Aldridge which has made it through to the national finals of the urban community category.

Last year the village won gold in the Heart of England In Bloom contest.

The judges were last week given a guided tour of Aldridge by Diane Mansell, from Walsall Council's district centre management team, Maria Cooke, chairwoman of Aldridge Village Business Partnership, and Janet Fry, co-ordinator of Aldridge in Bloom.

The tour finished at The Parade in Aldridge town centre where they were met by the Mayor of Walsall, councillor Mohammad Nazir.

Fantastic

He said: "Aldridge looked absolutely fantastic and it was wonderful to meet some of the volunteers who gave up their spare time to help transform the village into a sea of colour. 'I'm sure the judges were impressed by what they saw and fingers crossed the village scoops the award when the judges announce their decision.'"

The town's four district centres Willenhall, Darlaston, Bloxwich and Brownhills have also recently been visited by the Heart of England In Bloom judges.

They are entered in the urban community category which looks at horticultural achievement, environmental awareness and community involvement.

Last year they received a mix of gold, silver gilt and silver awards with Aldridge selected to take part in the national finals. Deputy leader councillor Adrian Andrew said: "This year we are hoping to build on what we achieved."

Bankruptcy man had a £40,000 flat

A FORMER publican from Walsall who filed for bankruptcy but failed to declare he jointly owned a flat in northern Cyprus worth tens of thousands of pounds, has been handed a community order.

Robert Billingham was declared bankrupt at Walsall County Court in November 2011.

Mr Justin Jarmola, prosecuting at Walsall Magistrates Court on behalf of the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills, said the 62-year-old had accrued debts of £26,800.

Billingham, of Arboretum Road, Walsall, had worked as a publican and previously applied to Greene King for a £22,000 trade loan.

The court heard that while making the application, he provided details of a property in Cyprus which he jointly owned and valued at £80,000.

But no mention of this property was made in a statement when filing for bankruptcy and Billingham also failed to mention any properties he owned abroad when later interviewed.

The court was told the official receiver dealing with the bankruptcy claim was contacted by Greene King in January last year and was told about the property in Cyprus he had earlier declared to the company.

On February 27 last year, Billingham voluntarily phoned the official receiver

to confess to owning the property. The property was sold shortly afterwards and around half the funds, amounting to almost £20,000, were given to the official receiver.

Billingham had admitted failing to disclose the property in Cyprus to the official receiver.

In mitigation, Mrs Sheila Hicklin said Billingham had no previous convictions. She said the property in Cyprus had been bought for around £60,000 and had eventually been sold for around £40,000.

Billingham told magistrates at a previous hearing that he had jointly acquired the property in Cyprus a decade ago and had spent money redecorating it.

Mrs Hicklin added: "He is in receipt of pension credit. He tells me he will endeavour to discharge any costs. He does deserve credit for entering a guilty plea and very much regrets his actions." Billingham was handed a six-month community order with £750 costs and a £60 victim surcharge.

by Lisa O'Brien

NEW SERVICE, WE ALSO
Restore old paving
Just like NEW!
Jet Wash, Resand,
Compact and Seal.
A low maintenance
WEED FREE ✓
OIL RESISTANT ✓
HIGH GLOSS FINISH ✓

SENIOR CITIZENS
35% OFF
DONE AND DUSTED IN
Quote your reference Number 061064/tn



We also offer flood prevention drainage systems

www.uplco.com



FREE DESIGNS
FREE QUOTATIONS

FREE PHONE
0800 0189 725

22 HIGH STREET

HIGH GLOSS FINISH
SEALED AGAINST
SEVERE WEATHER



* subject to our terms and conditions. Selling your house? We clean and seal old paving, ask for a Free quote

3 days

10 Year
Guarantee
WEED FREE
DRIVEWAYS
PATIOS
GARDENS
CALL NOW
To claim your
Discount with
this Voucher

Great Barr 0121 607 8164
West Brom 0121 535 7445
Tipton 0121 535 7445
Aldridge 01922 438166
Lichfield 01543 409166
Tamworth 01827 849626
Sutton 0121 607 8164



SUMMER OFFER



All work guaranteed and fully installed by our own professional fitters for



- Bath and Bath Panel
- Basin and Pedestal
- Chrome Basin Mixer Taps
- Chrome Bath Mixer Taps
- WC with Soft Close Lid
- Chrome Heated Towel Rail
- 20m2 Wall Tiles
- 5m2 Floor Tiles
- Large Selection of Floor & Wall Tiles

Free Home Survey

Free Box of Accessories

All work guaranteed and fully installed
by our own professional fitters for

£2799

WE'LL BEAT ANY OFFICIAL QUOTE

Call for further details! 0121 505 4333

Lines open Mon-Fri 9 am-8 pm, Sat 10 am-6 pm

www.haynesbathrooms.co.uk info@haynesbathrooms.co.uk

*Offer subject to terms and conditions * Bathroom suites may differ to those shown in the pictures

STS GARAGE DOORS LTD.
Established 24 years

MINIMUM 5% CHEAPER
THAN ANY OTHER QUOTE GUARANTEED!
We are the longest established garage door company in
the area 100s of doors in stock starting from £185.00

SPECIAL OFFER With this advert



Regent Steel Side
Hinged Door supplied
and fitted including
frame £575.00

Insulated electric
roller door supplied
and fitted £699
Based on sizes of
2300mm wide x 2300mm high



Any price beaten guaranteed

Open: Monday-Friday 9 am-5 pm, Saturday 10 am-3 pm

email: **stsgaragedoors@live.com** **www.stsgaragedoors.co.uk**

Cannock: 01543 571547 Walsall: 01922 438735

VISIT OUR SHOWROOM: UNIT 2, EXCHANGE BUSINESS ESTATE,
OFF CROSS STREET, BRIDGTOWN, CANNOCK WS11 0BW

24 HOUR
REPAIR
SERVICE



SIZZLING SUMMER SAVER!

CREATE > TARGET > DISTRIBUTE

5,000 LEAFLETS Only **£199.00**
DESIGNED/PRINTED AND DELIVERED inc. VAT!

Telephone: **01902 319575 / 319580**
Email: **leafletoffers@expressandstar.co.uk**

HURRY! Limited Spaces Available!
We make sure they get into the RIGHT hands!

NEWS

Hair raising fundraiser by cancer survivor Tonya



Long locks gone – Tonya Blakeman with Michael Greenway, from Willenhall, following the charity headshave

A CANCER survivor from Walsall has raised more than £1,500 after having her hair shaved off for charity.

Tonya Blakeman, aged 30, from Walsall, was given the all-clear in September last year after being diagnosed with cervical cancer some years ago.

Now she has had her long hair, which reached almost the length of her back, shaved off for the When You Wish Upon A Star charity which grants wishes for sick children.

Tonya, who lives in Attlee Road, Bentley, went for the chop during a fundraising event at Darlaston All Active in Willenhall Road. So far, more than £1,500 has been raised.

The mother who has three children, Lia-Marie, 13, Aaron, seven, and five-year-old McKenzie said: "I had cervical cancer a few years back and had the all-clear in September."

"I said 12 months ago if I had the all-clear it was something I was going to go ahead and do."

"We set up the fundraiser to be able

to send some terminally ill children away."

"When I got diagnosed a few years ago I was quite lucky because I was two weeks away from having radiation or chemotherapy and I would have ended up losing my hair if I had gone through it so I just thought it would be a way to mark that."

"It still feels strange having no hair," joked Tonya, who is married to Mark, 38.

The event also featured entertainment, a tombola and a raffle.

Great Brands, Amazing Prices!

Over 400 Quality Brand-Name Frames In Stock From Just £9.99

 <p>Model 008 Typical High Street Price £79.99 Our Price £19.99</p>	 <p>Model Twist Typical High Street Price £99.99 Our Price £19.99</p>	 <p>Model 001 Typical High Street Price £89.99 Our Price £19.99</p>
 <p>Model 6506 Typical High Street Price £99.99 Our Price £29.99</p>	 <p>Model 6043 Typical High Street Price £109.99 Our Price £29.99</p>	 <p>Model 6502 Typical High Street Price £99.99 Our Price £19.99</p>

lenses
from just **£9.99**

varifocals
from **£44.99**

See All Our Special Offer Designer Frames In-Store

10 Hawes Close, Broadway, WALSALL
Phone 01922 635301

Also at Wolverhampton and Perry Barr
www.directspecs.co.uk

GUARANTEED THE SAME SPECS FOR LESS
Lower Prices Than ANY High Street Optician



Direct Specs

WHERE SPECS COST LESS!

NEWS

Epic walk for baby



Mark Hubbard gets set for his 160-mile walk from New Cross Hospital, Wolverhampton, to Exeter

A FUNDRAISER from Willenhall is taking on a gruelling 167-mile walk over 10 days to support a charity that has helped his disabled baby cousin.

Mark Hubbard, aged 20, will set off from outside New Cross Hospital in Wolverhampton on August 14 and hopes to make it to his family's home in Exeter in time for eight-month-old Liam's christening on August 25. His aunt and uncle Janna and Matt Skittrall have spent the months since severely brain-damaged Liam's birth in hospital.

Daunting

He was recently allowed home and Mr Hubbard finally got to meet him last month. The experience inspired him to take on this challenge to aid the charity SNUG, which stands for Supporting Neonatal Users and Graduates.

Mr Hubbard, of Trentham Avenue, Willenhall, admits it is a daunting task but he built up his fitness during eight months as a private in the Parachute Regiment based in Catterick. He is now planning to train to be a primary school teacher. But first he is focusing on raising as much money as possible for charity.

He said: "Seeing Liam was very difficult. It's hard to explain the emotional pain everyone has gone through."

'First class' pledge on shared fire control HQ

A SHARED fire control centre will deliver a 'first class' service to the West Midlands and Staffordshire, chiefs have said.

West Midlands and Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Services are to merge their command centres, reverting to a single base in Birmingham.

by Rob Gollidge

The existing 101 posts across the two centres will be reduced by 25 roles to 76. Staffing numbers will then be reviewed after 12 months. The move is set to take place early next year and was given £3.6 million of Government funding.

In a joint statement, Councillor Len Bloomer, chairman of Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Authority, and Councillor John Edwards, Chairman of West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authority, said: "A shared fire control service between Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire and West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authorities is preparing to go live in 2014."

"The shared service is being introduced to maximise efficiency and increase resilience.

"The priority is to ensure that communities in both areas continue to receive a first class service and that our firefighters are safe when they are doing this vital job.

"There are currently 101 posts in total across the two control centres. It is proposed that this will be reduced to 76 roles when the new shared fire control centre is operational.

"Staffing levels will be reviewed 12 months later. Some of the 25 posts that will be lost are currently vacant and members of staff may be given the option of voluntary redundancy or redeployment.

"We are committed to providing an efficient and effective service to the people of Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire and the West Midlands. To continue to achieve that aim, changes have to be made."

Registered charity number 1089464 and Scotland SC041666



Family for Life

Sunday, 8th September 2013

Arrivals 11.30 am

Walk begins at 12 noon

Walsall Arboretum Park

Broadway North
WS1 2QB



Participants will be walking 5km in a circular route around the park. We're asking participants to pay a £10 register fee that will include your T-Shirt and Medal. We are hoping you will raise as much money through sponsorships. You are welcome to bring family and friends along to support you.

You can register online at

cancerresearchuk.org
click support then click events and family for life to register.

Or call the event organiser,
Mr D Gill, on 07919 920862



TILES AT UNBELIEVABLE PRICES

Established 30 Years

www.bentleytile.co.uk

Bentley Ceramics

10% off with this advert conditions apply

- | | |
|-----------|--------------|
| ■ Marble | ■ Limestone |
| ■ Granite | ■ Stone |
| ■ Glass | ■ Travertine |
| ■ Natural | ■ Slate |
| Stone | ■ Porcelain |

MAIN SHOWROOM
01922 455532

Unit 6 Birch Lane
Business Park,
Birch Lane, Stannall,
Walsall WS9 0OF

RETAIL SHOP
01922 623018

191 Wolverhampton
Road West,
Bentley, Walsall
WS2 0DU

W. RAYBOULD & SONS LTD
Fireplace Factory Outlet

Situated just
2 minutes from
Bloxwich
Town Centre



NEW RANGE OF SUPER
EFFICIENT BRITISH MADE
GAS FIRES

NEWLY REFURBISHED SHOWROOM WITH
OVER 50 FIREPLACE DISPLAYS
MULTI FUEL STOVES AND SOLID FUEL CENTRAL HEATING
WHY PAY MORE?

- Package Deals • Gas Safe • Full Installation Service
- Expert Advice For Gas and Solid Fuel

Come and Compare Our Prices

Croxstalls Close, Bloxwich, Walsall, West Midlands WS3 2XT
OPEN: Monday - Friday 9.30 am - 4.30 pm Saturday 11 am - 4 pm
A-Z Ref 6G 19 @52 Sales and Display Deals Available

www.raybould.co.uk
Tel: (01922) 479196



A-Z Ref 6G 19



Vitality Care and Support Services is a new innovative Homecare Provider situated in Walsall. Our support will be tailored to meet each individuals' care needs. We want to engage our clients in their own lifestyles and enable them to be in control with planning activities and completing day to day duties, we are not there to hinder but to empower and aid recovery in all aspects of their care and to promote dignity and respect to individuals in their own comfortable environment. We can help with the following Care Services.

- Enablement Support
- Personal Care
- Domiciliary Care
- Mental Health Support
- Specialist Dementia Services
- Deaf and Blindness Support
- Stroke Support

Vitality Care and Support Services

F3 49/50 Bradford Street Business Centre | Walsall | West Midlands | WS1 3QD
T: 01922 276121 | M: 07503 649193 | E: vitalitycare.info@yahoo.co.uk

THE BIG SHOP

furniture, clothing, household & bric a brac

katharine
house
hospice 
embracing life and living
01543 466885
Find a shop near you, visit
www.khhospice.org.uk/shops

BIG CHOICE, BIG VALUE

The largest collection of quality donated furniture, fashions, accessories and other unique items on sale in Cannock!



JOIN US FOR OUR Bank Holiday BONANZA SALE



More power to your pocket this August!

SEE IN STORE FOR OUR
MANAGERS SPECIALS
22nd TO 26th AUGUST



Browse the bank holiday bargains at our:

Furniture and Recycling Centre
11 Stafford Street, Stafford

Norton Bridge Recycling & Trading Centre
B5026 Eccleshall to Stone Road



Eccleshall Shop
10 High Street, Eccleshall

FREE collection of quality furniture etc
available - please call to arrange

FREE PARKING park and browse
or drop off your donated items

Email: thebigshop@khhospice.org.uk
Unit 2, Hemlock Park, Hemlock Way, Cannock, WS11 7GF



WE COLLECT FOR FREE!

Clear out your clutter quickly and conveniently whilst helping Katharine House Hospice. Free collection of furniture and larger items and house clearances. We collect within 4 days of your call. A full House clearance service is also available - call us for details or visit www.khhospice.org.uk/shops Call us now on **01785 760715** or mobile **07870 479210** or email collection@khhospice.org.uk

Registered Charity Number: 1011712

NEWS

Empty former pub to be Co-operative store

A FORMER pub is to be transformed into a convenience store after plans to breathe new life into the empty Aldridge site were backed by Walsall Council.

The Co-operative has been given the go-ahead to transform the Cedar Tree building in Walsall Wood Road to move from its existing location nearby.

A planning application to create a new shop front and doors as part of the proposals was agreed by Walsall Council under delegated powers. The Co-operative said it had outgrown its existing branch, in Walsall Wood Road, and planned to move into the nearby derelict Cedar Tree.

Police keep eye on hard shoulders of motorways

AROUND 250 drivers a day are illegally using the hard shoulder in the West Midlands, it has emerged - as a new crackdown was launched which could see motorists fined.

by Craig Hughes

The clampdown was launched by the Highways Agency and Central Motorway Police Group, with drivers warned they could be forced to pay fines or given points on their licence for flouting the rules.

A pilot scheme is being launched next month to reduce the amount of motorists who use the hard shoulder at the wrong times.

Congestion.

The stretch of the M6 between junctions eight and West Bromwich and 10A for Essington is already part of a 'managed motorways' scheme, which sees the hard shoulder opened up as a fourth lane at busy times in a bid to cut congestion.

Work to expand it into Birmingham is now under way. Overhead signs are used to display when this is in force.

However, police said that on three of the busiest motorway links across the West Midlands - at the M42

south between junctions six and seven, and M6 northbound and southbound between junctions nine and 10 - figures show an average of 250 vehicles per day illegally using the hard shoulder.

Most of this was just before the hard shoulder opened to traffic for peak periods or just after it had been closed.

As part of a pilot scheme, police will be monitoring drivers in the region.

Any drivers misusing the hard shoulder will initially receive a joint letter from the force and the Highways Agency, along with an educational leaflet clearly explaining the correct use of the hard shoulder.

Repeat offenders could find themselves facing a fine and points on their licence.

But some motorists who abuse hard shoulders on the region's motorways could be sent on education courses.

OPENING TIMES

Monday - Saturday
9.30am - 4pm

Sundays
11am - 5pm

OPEN 7 DAYS
A WEEK AND
BANK HOLIDAYS

Make your
donation *giftaid it*
go further...

Your donated items can
provide 25% more care
at no extra cost to you.
Ask in store for details.

FIND IT AT THE
THE
BIG SHOP

You donate, we recycle...

We always need good
quality furniture, textiles,
clothes, shoes, handbags,
metals and mobile phones.

We turn 100% of your
donation into vital care
for local people!



Rubik's warehouse



The huge new warehouse is continuing to take shape near junction nine of the M6 at Wednesbury

WITH its striking red, grey and white square panels, these are the latest images of how a Rubik's Cube-style warehouse visible to thousands of drivers a day from the M6 is taking shape.

Storagebase is building the £5 million 112,000 sq ft self-storage building near to Opus Blueprint at junction nine of the M6 by Wednesbury. The checked panels are being fitted to the seven-storey building, which is due to be completed early next year.

The warehouse will include more than 1,000 individually lockable secure self-storage rooms.

The development will create six new jobs, and will be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The building was granted permission by Sandwell Council's planning committee in September, despite a petition against the plans submitted by residents who said they think it will be an eyesore and could cause problems as people cross busy Wood Green Road.

NEWS

Tall order for Emily



Emily Cooper, aged seven, with one of the towering sunflowers she has grown from seed

WHEN seven-year-old Emily Cooper, of Willenhall, decided to plant some sunflower seeds, she had no idea that they would flourish to almost seven feet tall.

The youngster's father Tony Cooper sent in this picture after his daughter's keen interest in gardening produced some impressive results.

Cups

The youngster planted the seeds in plastic cups on the kitchen window, not expecting much to happen. But as the seeds began to sprout, she moved them into the garden where she nursed them attentively until they reached their towering height. Though not all of the seedlings survived to grow to their full extent, the Cooper's garden on Glamis Road is now home to two huge sunflowers.

The biggest sunflower ever recorded in Britain was grown by Richard Hope from Wigan last year and measured 26 feet tall.

A three-year match ban for pitch invading Saddlers fan

A WALSALL FC football hooligan who taunted fans during a pitch invasion has been banned from attending matches for three years.

Saddlers supporter Daniel Arrowsmith, from Willenhall, ran onto the field and made 'come on' gestures towards rival fans during a game between Walsall and Bury on April 20.

Walsall Magistrates Court was shown CCTV footage of the 21-year-old, who did not attend the hearing, stretching out his arms on the Banks's Stadium field.

Ticket

Prosecutor Charlotte Ridout told the court he had already been spoken to by police officers at the match.

Sarbjit Lalli, defending, said Arrowsmith, of Douglas Davies Close, had never been convicted of a similar incident in his 16 years as a Saddlers season ticket holder.

Mr Lalli added: "The defendant has said that others went onto the pitch,

he followed and he was stupid.

Arrowsmith had previously admitted a charge of using threatening words or behaviour to cause harassment, alarm or distress but was contesting the need for a football banning order at last week's hearing.

Arrowsmith was given a three-year football banning order in his absence, stopping him from attending any regulated match during that period.

He was also ordered to pay a £65 fine, a £20 victim surcharge and £85 costs.

PRICES SLASHED UPTO 50% OFF CARPETS, VINYLs AND RUGS

ARPETS DIRECT 2U

Your Local Discount Carpet Store

- 1000'S OF ROOM SIZED CARPETS & VINYLs AT LOW PRICES
- LARGE SELECTION OF RUGS, ALL SIZES, ALL COLOURS FOR ANY ROOM
- DELIVERY AND FITTING SERVICES AVAILABLE
- FREE MEASURING, NO OBLIGATION
- READY TO TAKE AWAY TODAY

visit our website at www.carpetsdirect2u.co.uk

thebestofwalsall
thebestof.co.uk/walsall

Official The Most Loved Carpets and Rugs Business in the UK 2011
Official The Most Loved Carpets and Rugs Business in the UK 2012
Official The Most Loved Carpets and Rugs Business in the UK 2013

RUGS DIRECT 2U

Walsall's premier rug stockist!

IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A RUG, LOOK NO FURTHER!
www.rugsdirect2u.co.uk

1000'S OF QUALITY RUGS TO CHOOSE FROM AT THE BEST POSSIBLE PRICES

Why not shop at home online at
www.rugsdirect2u.co.uk

Free delivery on all online orders

Visit the huge showroom at our Pelsall store for a vast selection of rugs to choose from and take away today

CHECK OUR LOCAL ARPETS DIRECT 2U STORES

CARPETS DIRECT 2U ALDRIDGE BRANCH TEL: 01922 456457 1 ANCHOR ROAD, ALDRIDGE, WALSALL WS9 8PT OPEN 7 DAYS MON-SAT 9AM - 6PM SUN 10AM - 4PM	CARPETS DIRECT 2U NORTON CANES WAREHOUSE TEL: 01543 277775 UNITS 1+2 NORTON CANES BUSINESS PARK, NORTON GREEN LANE WS11 9SS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC MON-SAT	CARPETS DIRECT 2U PELSALL BRANCH TEL: 01922 691555 29 HIGH STREET, PELSALL, WALSALL WS3 4LX OPEN 6 DAYS MON-SAT 9AM - 5PM	RUGS DIRECT 2U TEL: 08454 501221 or 01922 691555 CARPETS DIRECT 2U 29 HIGH STREET, PELSALL, WALSALL WS3 4LX Website: www.rugsdirect2u.co.uk Email: info@rugsdirect2u.co.uk
--	---	--	--

2U



PLACE AN ADVERT
0844 887 2293
 REPLY TO MEMBERS
0906 500 3955
(0906 500 3955)
 COLLECT MESSAGES
0906 500 3957

TEXT AN ADVERTISER

If an advert has a text to it then you can reply to text! Send **WOL** followed by the box no of the advertisement your message will send to **63222***
(£1.50 per message sent)

SEE PHOTOS OF MEMBERS

If you have a text to it, then the advertiser has sent in their photo. Simply text **WOLVDATE** to **63222***
(£1.50 per photo sent)

CUSTOMER SUPPORT

Call our support team:
0844 800 1388 weekdays 9-5 or
 email: support@wolvdate.co.uk

SINGLE LADIES

Guys Text n' Chat. Text in now and chat to local people. Send : CHAT207 To : 60109

(T&C's below)

ANITA petite 33yr old tanned, toned sexy size 10 female with very high drive and lots of energy looking for similar man for adult no stings fun. Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 406835 ☺

Hi I am Linda a lonely petite mature lady looking for nice caring male up to 65yrs who also has lots of love to give for hopeful relationship. Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 406715 ☺

PAULINE, passionate, intelligent, discreet married lady seeks discreet special man of any age, call for more info. Tel No: 0905 002 1956 Box 339087

GOOD looking professional female, 51, enjoys arts, wining/dining, sightseeing, country walks, seeks special male to enjoy great Summer with. Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 406765

LINDA bored housewife wanting to spice things up a bit looking for clean well-mannered professional for discreet adult meets. Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 406705 ☺

SUE slim feminine brunette, caring, fun loving, independent, no ties, OHAC, loves cooking, WLTm willing male to get to know and spend quality times. Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 406693 ☺

NICKY lonely single mum with GSOH, honest and very loving seeking trustworthy, cuddly, tactile male who can make all my dreams come true. Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 406523 ☺

SARA 32 very attractive single mum, OHAC, professional looking for similar outgoing single dad 35-55yrs for companionship, hopefully more. Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 406511 ☺

ATTRACTIVE female, young 49, 5ft 7ins, blonde hair, blue eyes, slim, genuine, loyal, easygoing, GSOH, seeks tall, handsome male, 40-50 for fun times, friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 406135 ☺

SINGLE cuddly female, 5ft 6ins, green eyes, seeks male, 40-50 for fun and more. Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 406015 ☺

BEAUTIFUL olive skinned sensual lady, adventurous, with some naughty ways, discreet and seeks same. Age/looks/nationality unimportant but must be adventurous. Tel No: 0905 002 1957 Box 345725

WIDOW young hearted 70's, N/S, likes reading, concerts, gardening, meals out, WLTm younger gentleman with similar interests. Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 404177

CHRISTINA 38 very pretty petite trainee nurse looking for N/S male companionship to enjoy meals/drinks out, leading to more maybe. Age/looks and status unimportant. Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 405243 ☺

PICK AN ADVERT AND MAKE A DATE TODAY!

visit us at: <http://dating.expressandstar.com>

CALL CHARGES*: DATING 18+ and have the bill payer's permission. 090 calls cost £1.53 per min, plus network charges. Calls from Mobsies will be considerably higher. Calls are recorded and may appear on your bill. TEXT*: 88833 texts £1.50 per msg. Mobsies must be MMS/WAP compatible in order to use these services, if not contact your Network Provider. Text alerts are charged at £1.50 per week. To unsubscribe to text alerts, text DATING STOP to 63333. To cancel free match alerts, text STOP to 07781474042. For full T&Cs go to www.localdates-toms.co.uk/. REPLY BY TEXT*: 63222 costs £1.50 per SMS sent (max 150 characters). Service only available where phone icon shows. Messages are moderated. Minimum 6 messages must be sent before contact details can be exchanged. To STOP text stop to 63222. Service provided by Sports4Adults. Help: 08444457707. SMS TEXT CHAT*: 60109 costs £1.50 per SMS sent. This service is a virtual chat service meaning you will not be able to meet the people listed. To STOP text stop to 60109. Service provided by JMedia. Help: 084444457707. ALL SERVICES*: By texting any shortcode you consent to the owner of that shortcode sending you the occasional marketing message. To opt-out of marketing, please visit www.StopChatDateSMSMarketing.com DATA PROTECTION: Service provided by JMedia UK Ltd, SW4 7BX, 0844 800 1188. We will collect the details you provide and may send you details of other services and events operated by us. We may pass your details onto this newspaper for marketing or PhonePayPlus for regulatory purposes. W/C 12/08/13

NEWS

October set as target in Manor's bid to be trust

A BID for Walsall Manor Hospital to become a foundation trust is finally due to be submitted at the end of October – almost a year later than expected.

The move to give the hospital greater independence and control over its own affairs was initially expected to be put forward last autumn.

It was held up after Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust failed to hit its four-hour A&E waiting time targets, and there were concerns over finances after bosses had to change the amount they expected to make in surplus.

The decision to delay the bid was reached after a meeting between the hospital trust board and the Strategic Health Authority.

It was then due this summer but again was held up awaiting news on Walsall's bid to take on work from Stafford and Cannock hospitals impacting on the business plan and responsibilities.

The trust is now looking to make its formal bid in autumn. In a report to the

by Craig Hughes

trust, chief executive Richard Kirby said: "We continue to prepare our application for NHS Foundation Trust and are aiming to submit it to the NHS Trust Development Authority at the end of October."

Dawn Clift, who is director of governance and trust secretary, added: "Subject to the NDTA assurance phase, we hope to be in a position to secure NDTA Board approval to move to the Monitor phase of assessment in the spring of 2014."

It comes after plans were outlined recently to plough up to £65 million into transforming hospitals in Wolverhampton, Walsall and Cannock Chase.

It would be part of a shake-up in the Midlands that will strip services from Stafford. Walsall Manor is also looking to invest £6m in improved maternity services.

Jade, 21, opens salon



Jade Hampson-Goodwin, aged 21, at her beauty Salon

A FORMER Walsall College student is opening her own beauty salon after receiving support from the Prince's Trust.

Jade Hampson-Goodwin launched her business in Bentley this week.

The 21-year-old has received support from the Prince's Trust to begin the venture as part of the enterprise programme. It offers help to unemployed people aged between 18 and 30 who have viable business ideas.

She completed a four-day course in Wolverhampton and was granted a low interest loan of £3,500. This has gone towards rent and equipment.

The last fortnight has seen the unit transformed into a salon. The official launch of the Farmbridge Road salon was on Monday. The launch of Jade's Beauty will be the first business for the beautician.

Jade said: "I really enjoyed my course and I have always wanted to work for myself. If I can I want to get an apprentice."

Three men walk five days

THREE men from Walsall walked for five days from Rhyl to Pelsall and raised £750 for charity.

Joseph Ufton, aged 75, from Bloxwich, Dennis Smith, 58, and Keiran Maxwell, 21, both from Blakenall, raised the cash for St Giles Walsall Hospice. The trio undertook the challenge as part of the Railway Pub's ongoing fundraising efforts for the hospice and complete their journey when they arrived at the Victoria Road venue. Mr Maxwell said: "The walk went really well, although we had a few blisters."

Harry Shaw

ABTA
ABTA No. V1510

August & September Holidays

Torquay & the Devon Riviera	26 August - 5 Days • 4 Nights	from £169.95
Isle of Wight - Malvern Hotel	30 August - 4 Days • 3 Nights	from £139.95
Buckingham Palace & Windsor	31 August - 2 Days • 1 Night	from £99.95
Fort William & the Isle of Skye	02 September - 7 Days • 6 Nights	from £399.95
Great Little Trains of North Wales	02 September - 5 Days • 4 Nights	from £219.95
Weymouth - Russell Hotel on the sea front	06 September - 4 Days • 3 Nights	from £149.95
Eastbourne - Congress Hotel	06 September - 5 Days • 4 Nights	from £199.95
Chester & Cheshire Oaks - Holiday Inn at Ellesmere Port	07 September - 2 Days • 1 Night	from £59.95
All Inclusive Italian Riviera - Diano Marina	07 September - 9 Days • 8 Nights	from £499.95
Weymouth Weekend - Norfolk Hotel	08 September - 2 Days • 2 Nights	from £89.95
Newquay & St Ives - Godolphin Hotel	09 September - 5 Days • 4 Nights	from £189.95
Skegness - Charnwood Hotel	09 September - 5 Days • 4 Nights	from £189.95
Blackpool Illuminations - Hotel La Tour	13 September - 4 Days • 2 Nights	from £99.95
Disneyland® Paris Day Trip	13 September	£89.95
London & Theatre Weekend	Selection of top West End Shows	
14 September - 2 Days • 1 Night		£129.95
York, Whitby & Scarborough	14 September - 2 Days • 1 Night	from £59.95
Tenby & the Mumbles - Clarence House Hotel	16 September - 5 Days • 4 Nights	from £279.95
Dunoon & Scotland's West Coast		
Selborne Hotel	20 September - 4 Days • 3 Nights	from £129.95
Great Yarmouth & Norfolk Broads Cruise	20 September - 3 Days • 2 Nights	from £99.95
Ostend & Bruges Weekend		
Hotel New Astoria	20 September - 3 Days • 2 Nights	from £149.95

BOOK ONLINE

www.harryshaw.co.uk

or call (024) 7645 5544

2.5% handling fee on Visa & Mastercard payments
 Organised by Harry Shaw City Cruiser • ABTA V1801

Autumn Break

Loch Awe Hotel
 Argyllshire

A 5 day coach holiday staying at our Loch Awe Hotel. There will be an excursion everyday including the Isles of Mull and Iona, Oban, Inveraray & Cruachan Power Station.

All for just

£225
 per person

Your special coach departs
Friday 4th October

01389 713713 www.lochs.com
Holidays are fully bonded. School Road, Gartochran, GB3 8RW

FREE annual booster vaccinations and health checks for life

Terms and Conditions apply

That can add up to really big savings!

£99
 ONE-OFF PAYMENT

Lockwood Animal Hospital
 14 Lonsdale Street
 Walsall
 WV13 1DE
 01902 605 080

Reverend Animal Hospital
 1 Main Street
 Country
 Walsall
 WV14 9EP
 01902 671 777

Blackheath Veterinary Centre
 1 Long Lane
 Blackheath
 Walsall
 WV14 9EP
 0121 589 1589

Waterloo Veterinary Centre
 125 Dudley Road
 Brierley Hill
 Walsall
 WV14 9EP
 01384 482 121

Hanley Green Veterinary Centre
 Unit 13/14 Hanley
 Business Park
 Chesham Drive
 Hanley
 Walsall
 WV11 7DB
 01543 878 625

NEWS

Doris pens her second volume at age of 95

SHE is only be five years away from her 100th birthday but age is no barrier to a Willenhall great-grandmother who has just penned her second book based on her memories.

Doris Milne took just two weeks to finish *The Ladder of Life* which is based around her parents growing up. Her first foray into the literary world saw her publish a book about her own youth some 20 years ago which was called *My Black Country Childhood*.

Mrs Milne said it was a comment from her father remembered from many years ago that led to her putting pen to paper.

Remembered

She said: "I was sitting in my lounge one day looking at a picture of my father. I remembered him saying to me once 'you won't forget me once I've gone will you?' 'At that point I decided to write the book.'"

Mrs Milne's mother was called Pamela Jenkins and she was born in August 1890. Her father was George Gibbons, born December 1892.

They were both from Willenhall and met as they lived near each other. They even attended the same school in the town.

Widow Mrs Milne added: "I just sat down in my living room and started writing. I had so many memories and it only took me two weeks. My dad always used to say he was born below the first rung on a ladder. The book goes on to describe how he made it from the very



Doris Milne, aged 95, who has written her second book *The Ladder of Life*, which is a sequel to her first book of memoirs *A Black Country Childhood*

bottom and ended up being quite a success."

Mrs Milne's father set up his own lock making firm in John Street, Willenhall. She said: "We had a seaside home in Rhyl, Wales, and we were only the second family on our street in Temple Road, Willenhall to get a car.

My father and the doctor who lived in the street were the only ones."

Mrs Milne now has two children Kate, 71 and Robert, 64, two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Anyone who wants a copy of the £3 book should contact daughter Kate Haywood on 01902 630509.

PATIO & DRIVEWAYS CLEANING

WE REVIVE AND RESTORE YOUR PAVING

CREATE WEED FREE PAVED AREAS WITH OUR LOW MAINTENANCE SEALANTS SOLUTION

Solutions for your Driveway & Patio!

Does your paved areas look untidy, dirty and covered in weeds? Well we have the low cost solution for you! We have recently introduced a new service to the driveway and landscaping industry, we now offer a service whereby we weed, kill the entire area and then we turbo wash the debris and dead weeds away, we then re-sand and wacker the entire area to re-consolidate the paving. We then seal the area with our special high gloss solvent based acrylic sealant with not just one but two generous coats to ensure you have effective protection for your paved area from weeds, algae, oil, grease and severe weather extremes of cold or heat.

We are offering special introductory discounts
Call us free on 0800 0189725 or email info@uplco.com or visit our website www.uplco.com and leave your contact details

What Clients Say About Us

"We cannot believe the difference that the UPL restore paving has made to our property, not only does it look like new we are also really pleased with the added bonus of the protection from weeds and of stains. Thank you UPL and your super team of workers."

HIGH PRESSURE CLEANING SERVICES FOR PATHS, DRIVEWAYS AND PATIOS IN THE MIDLANDS & SURROUNDING AREAS. UPL WILL DEEP CLEAN AND RESTORE ALL TYPES OF STONE & CONCRETE PAVING WITHOUT THE NEED FOR ANY HARSH CHEMICALS OR DETERGENTS, LEAVING YOUR TIED LOOKING DRIVEWAY OR PATIO LOOKING AS GOOD AS NEW.

IF YOU HAVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING THAT IS IN NEED OF A CLEAN

- BLOCK PAVING
- PATIOS
- PATHS
- STONE
- BRICK WORK
- MOSS
- WOODEN DECKING
- TARMAC
- IMPRINTED CONCRETE

GET A QUOTE

We are fully insured and trained in using high powered pressure washers, we can tackle most jobs with ease to successfully bring your tired unsightly path, patio or driveway back to it's former glory. Once your patio, path or driveway has been cleaned we will apply a protective sealant to the cleaned surface giving you either a matt, silk or gloss finish.

We also offer a tarmac recolouring service
22 HIGH STREET, WEST MIDLANDS EMAIL INFO@UPLCO.COM

CALL NOW!
0800 0189 725
MOBILE : 07794 952899
WEBSITE: WWW.UPLCO.COM

ChipsAway

Scratches and scuffs won't dent your pocket

- ✓ Bumper scuffs
- ✓ Kerbed alloys
- ✓ Paintwork scratches
- ✓ Minor dents

Professional quality, mobile paintwork repairs at a fraction of traditional body shop costs

- Quick
- Convenient
- Fully Guaranteed

To arrange for your **free estimate** call

WALSALL
07973 531952 / 01922 625606
BLOXWICH / WEDNESFIELD
07903 771755 / 01543 307532
for further details

Walsall ChemDry

Est 22 years

Independently Owned and Operated by Enza - A family run business

- Domestic and Commercial carpets and upholstery
- Leather cleaning professionals
- Stain and soil remover and protector
- The natural way to remove dust mites and oil
- Safe and non-toxic
- Most carpets dry within 1-2 hours
- OAPS DISCOUNTS**
- Free quotes upon request
- Areas covered: Walsall, Wolverhampton, Dudley, Pelsall, Brownhills, and all surrounding areas

Please ask about the 3 for 2

01922 476366
email: lorenzachemdry@hotmail.co.uk
Fully Insured and Guaranteed

What WILL you leave behind?

Protect your family's inheritance it doesn't happen automatically. Be sure the money gifts and mementoes you want to pass on to your loved ones will reach them

MAKE A WILL!

Single Wills from as little as **£75** plus vat

Only **£70** plus vat Per Person for couples, Mirror Wills

- » Wills
- » Trusts
- » Lasting Powers of Attorney
- » Will Storage
- » Estate Planning & Guardianship Trusts

Members of **GOODWILLS LTD**
0845 678 7010
www.goodwillsmidlands.co.uk

Granite Worktops Ltd

Friar Park Road, Wednesbury, West Mids. WS10 0JX

GRANITE WORKTOPS & VANITY TOPS AT COMPETITIVE PRICES
FULL TEMPLATE, SUPPLY AND FITTING SERVICE, FULLY SKILLED CRAFTSMEN WITH OVER 40 YEARS EXPERIENCE.

0121 502 0598 www.granite-worktopsltd.co.uk
info@granite-worktopsltd.co.uk

Suddz Bathrooms & Kitchens

Full installation service or Supply only

Easy access bathing and wet room specialists

Up to 50% off all kitchens

Up to 25% off bathroom furniture

01543 379670 Units 2/3, Smarts Business Park, Chase Road, Brownhills WS8 6JN

COMMERCIAL FEATURE

Show business is a real option for Studio students

WITH the V Festival at Weston Park this weekend we are reminded of the big business that surrounds the music, entertainment and creative industries.

With the NEC group based in the Midlands we should consider live events and exhibitions as an area of real opportunity for young people. After all, more than one million visitors spend money each year at the LG arena alone!

Walsall Studio School and Sixth Form opens in September 2013 with a brand new offer for students in Walsall and the surrounding areas.

Located in the new Goldmine centre, the Studio Sixth Form is the first of its kind in the region and brings together business enterprise with music, the arts and broadcast digital media. The Sixth Form is offering a tailored approach to education of 1:1 coaching and small class sizes for emerging artists and creative entrepreneurs.

At the recent royal opening of the Studio School young performers shared the stage with experienced professionals and mentors including Carl McGregor, Mark Walker and Paul Reid, who have performed regularly with Beverley Knight, Take That, Westlife, Will Young and Kelly Rowland from Destiny's Child.

Also performing at the school and sharing her experience with students was Connie Talbot, the Britain's Got Talent finalist in 2006 when she was aged just six.

Connie, now aged 12, has become a sensation in the US and the Far East as well as having millions of hits on YouTube.

The creative industries when connected with business enterprise and digital technologies offer real local jobs and new global opportunities for young people.

Students will develop their abilities in the school's professional 400-seater auditorium and TV studio where events will be broadcast live online and to audiences' smartphones all over the world.

Qualifications

Post-16 students study half the week in education, gaining industry recognised qualifications, and half the week in work placement where they put their skills to the test in real-life working scenarios with employers in industry.

There are a limited number of sixth form places available for students to study BTEC qualifications and A levels in areas including: Business, IT Digital, Music & Music Technology, Performing Arts, Broadcast Media and Live Events.

Students are also able to re-sit GCSE English and Maths, if they need to, while progressing onto advanced level courses in other areas.

Most 16-19 year old students sign up for a two-year programme, however, fast-track one year courses are also available.

Whether you are waiting for your GCSE results, or thinking of exploring a different approach to education than your existing sixth form or college, you should contact Walsall Studio School and Sixth Form to find out more.



Student Tom Davies performing at the school's opening



Britain's Got Talent star Connie Talbot performs with music industry professionals at Walsall Studio School



Principal Dan Parkes talking about artists and entrepreneurs

EMERGING ARTISTS AND CREATIVE ENTREPRENEURS JOIN A NEW APPROACH!

AGED 16 / 17 / 18?

PERFORMING ARTS & LIVE EVENTS

BROADCAST, DIGITAL & SOCIAL MEDIA

MUSIC & MUSIC TECHNOLOGY

AND MORE...

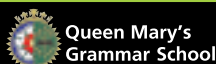
STUDIO SIXTH ENROLLING NOW FOR SEPTEMBER 2013



WALSALL STUDIO SCHOOL
TRANSFORMING YOUR FUTURE...

STUDIO SIXTH

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH



01922 621951

Follow us on:
@walsallstudio

Find us on:
walsallstudioschool

1 AND 2 YEAR COURSES

www.walsallstudioschool.co.uk

Walsall Studio School, The Goldmine Centre, 14a Lower Hall Lane, Walsall, West Midlands WS1 1RL.

Put your home together with

BATHROOM CLADDING



CARPORTS AND CANOPIES



PVC DECKING AND FENCING



CONSERVATORIES



GARDEN SUNROOMS



NATIONAL PLASTICS



FASCIAS AND SOFFITS



TOOLS & WORKWEAR



WATER BUTTS



FLOORING



TILE EFFECT ROOFING



PVC, ALU & TIMBER WINDOWS



COMPOSITE DOORS



BIFOLD DOORS



EPDM RUBBER ROOFING



**Unit 2, Planetary Ind. Estate,
Planetary Road,
Willenhall WV13 3XA**

01902 305937



**99% of our
stock instore**

NATIONAL PLASTICS

*Come and see why we're the nation's
largest independent trade counter!*

*Free Delivery available**



www.nationalplastics.co.uk



/NationalPlastics



@nplastics

*Min. order value may apply.



ADVERTISING WITH
THE EXPRESS & STAR
PACKS A PUNCH

The Express & Star helps a growing number of local advertisers to beat their rivals. Client numbers rose by 16% between April and June as more businesses across the region reached their target audience through our pages.

TO FIND OUT HOW WE CAN GIVE YOUR
BUSINESS MORE IMPACT CALL 01902 319660

*16% rise in advertising client numbers April-June 2013. Source: Midland News Association

NEWS

Call to give failed homes site over to car parking

Blooming good show



Black Country Fuchsia Society publicity officer Trevor Crowshaw with some of the exhibits on show

GARDENERS had a blooming good time at a Black Country flower society's 30th annual show.

More than 40 members of the Black Country Fuchsia Society displayed around 170 of their finest plants at the event in Willenhall.

Entrants won accolades categories, covering the best of everything from triphyllas to bonsai fuchsias. Society chairman Pat Rodgers scooped the overall top prize for Best in Show during the event, which was staged at Pool Hayes Arts and Community School.

Ms Rodgers, from Cheslyn Hay, who had a fuchsia named after her when she turned 70, also produced

winners. President Dennis Skitt, the society's longest-serving member, also won a raft of titles, as did Gordon Reynolds, from Aldridge.

Trevor Crowshaw, who has been a member for over a decade, said: "The judges were impressed by the standard of entries. There were some things there that they had never seen before, particularly the bonsai fuchsias."

Mr Crowshaw, 71, of Dingle Lane, Willenhall, appealed for new members to join the society, which meets on the last Tuesday of the month at Corpus Christi Social Centre, Griffiths Drive, Ashmore Park. Call 01902 608736.

PLANS to build homes on two garage sites in a village near Willenhall have been dropped prompting calls for the units to be made available for parking instead.

Bosses at South Staffordshire Housing Association wanted to build the new properties on garage sites in Essington but have now shelved the scheme after a review of the proposals.

The chairman of Essington Parish Council, Councillor David Clift, says the garages in Hill Street and Church Crescent should now be made available for rent to help ease local parking problems.

He said many residents struggle to find somewhere to leave their vehicle and added: "The association has confirmed to me that no garage site in Essington will be used to create a housing development and now I want them to be returned to rent to reduce on-street parking."

Residents

"The development would have put more pressure on our already crumbling infrastructure. The roads throughout Essington and South Staffordshire are very congested. Cars are often double parked opposite drive-ways and the roads are narrow."

"Two out of three people own vehicles and many struggle to get off their own drive-ways and drive down their own street."

"A lot of residents have spoken to me in support of renting garages to use them for off-road parking."

The plans were dropped after the housing association said the sites didn't meet its criteria for new homes and the organisation is now looking at developing garages at other sites in South Staffordshire.

Spokesman Richard Evans said: "A review of garages has been carried out into their conditions and suitability to be let out." He said there were nine people on a waiting list for garages.

Care & Mobility

Family run business with over 30 years experience

Open: Monday - Saturday 9.30am-4.30pm

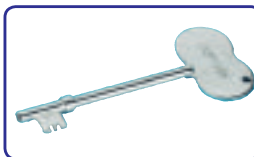
www.careandmobility.co.uk



Folding Walking Sticks
SPECIAL OFFER Only £7.99



Blue Badge & Time Wallet
SPECIAL OFFER From Only £2.99



Disabled Toilet Key
SPECIAL OFFER From Only £2.99

UNBEATABLE OFFERS ON STRAIGHT / CURVED STAIR LIFTS

Limited Offer New Stair Lifts Supplied & Fitted £1195

Fully fitted stairlifts installed by our professionally trained fitters Stockists of Brooks, Used Stannahs, Platinum and Bison Lift. **FREE HOME SURVEYS & FAST FITTING SERVICE AVAILABLE!**



Remote



Safety Sensor



Toggle Switch



Walkers



Bath Lifts

Stairlifts	From Only £595
Scooters	From Only £399
Wheelchairs	From Only £99
Baths Lifts	From Only £259
Reclining Armchairs	From Only £399
Walkers	From Only £56
Adjustable Beds	From Only £399

Lift Recliner Chairs come as single or dual motor chair and actually lift you up and on to your feet with minimal effort required.



From Only £399



ELECTRIC BEDS



New & Pre-owned Scooters

- ✓ FREE Easy Parking ✓ Best Prices on all batteries supplied
- ✓ Service work carried out at special rates
- ✓ Free daily living aids catalogue ✓ 0% Finance available
- ✓ Motability Accredited

for Service and Repair work

10 Woodlands Centre, Wood lane, Willenhall, Walsall. WV12 5ND

01922 400 344

www.careandmobility.co.uk



HOPKINS SHOES

10% Off All HOTTER Shoes & Sandals

A SPECIALIST WIDE FITTING SHOE RETAILER
Located in Wylde Green, Birmingham. EST. 1980

Est. 1980. Over 30 Years Expert FITTING & ADVICE...

YOUR Feet are OUR Business!
LADIES & GENTS Shoes & Sandals From:

Padders, Gentry, rieber, hotter, WILDLAUER, Loake, Lotus, Van Dal, Cosyfeet, D.S. party

website: www.hopkins-shoes.co.uk

153 Sutton Road, Wylde Green, Sutton Coldfield, B23 5TN (Nr Yenton Pub)
Tel: **0121 373 7873**
Monday-Saturday 9am-5pm
Buses: 904, 905, 110, 112, 88, 902 and 915

The Team You Can Trust

Domestic Gas & Plumbing Installation, Servicing & Repair

- ✓ CRB Checked
- ✓ Gas Safe Registered
- ✓ All Vaillant Boiler Installations covered 5 Year Warranty
- ✓ Sensible out-of-hours call out charges
- ✓ Public liability insured
- ✓ Corgi Approved
- ✓ Free no-obligation quotations and advice

Vaillant

Park Hall Plumbing

FREEPHONE 0800 955 3686
Mobile: 07595 637050 • Tel/Fax: 01922 625015
jem@parkhallplumbing.co.uk • www.parkhallplumbing.co.uk
4 Richard Place, Walsall, West Midlands, WSS 3QP

First Words British

Language development app for babies and toddlers

Geoff Cockayne 07914 636 499

iPad App Store

DAILY SERVICE IN ALL WEATHER

THE WELSHPOOL & LLANFAIR RAILWAY

STREAM THROUGH THE MID WALES BORDERLAND

UNUSUAL RURAL RIVERSIDE SCENERY

GREAT DAY OUT FOR ALL THE FAMILY

AMPLE FREE PARKING

CAFE AND GIFT SHOPS

DISCOUNTS FOR ONLINE BOOKING

EASY ACCESS FROM THE WEST MIDLANDS

TRAIN TIMES AND DATES

TELEPHONE: 01928 810443

WEBSITE: www.wllr.org.uk

Twitter Facebook

FOCUS ON BLOXWICH

Rail crossing closure for work until next month

A BUSY route in Bloxwich will be partially shut for the rest of the month as multi-million pound work to upgrade a railway signalling system continues.

Motorists face diversions now Bloxwich level crossing at Willenhall Lane is closed. It is part of work to modernise the signalling system on the Chase Line between Walsall and Rugeley.

The signal box, which dates back more than 50 years, will be demolished during the work.

Willenhall Lane will be closed where it meets the level crossing with Reeves Street until September 1.

Network Rail spokesman Ben Herbert said: "This is part of a wider resignalling scheme. All of the signalling in Walsall dates back to around 1965. It is investment to replace what is very old equipment with modern equipment which is very reliable."

The new CCTV-style signalling system is separate to the multi-million pound plans for electrification of the route.

It means Bloxwich level crossing will start to be controlled from the West Midlands signalling centre.

The construction project is being carried out despite long-term proposals for the Reeves Street crossing to be permanently closed as part of the £30m electrification of the line by the end of 2017.

It is one of a series of improvements by Network Rail which are being supported by Walsall Council.

Training charity is delighted by U-turn over Pinfold Centre

WALSALL Council has made a U-turn on its plans to bulldoze an education complex to make way for a multi-million pound leisure centre scheme in Bloxwich, which means 40 jobs have been saved.

Plans to demolish the Pinfold Centre, used by a charity that provides training courses, to make way for a car park for a new leisure centre have been withdrawn just over a month after first being lodged.

Fears were voiced that the proposals would put the Frank F Harrison Community Association and dozens of jobs in jeopardy, prompting council bosses to say the authority would work with the charity to find it a new home.

Leisure

But charity bosses were rejoicing on Monday as council chiefs announced they intend to revert to the original scheme and build on the existing leisure centre site.

The community association, which has been providing training in the town for 30 years, has been based at the Field Close centre since February.

Bosses said the charity had already spent £20,000 on getting the building ready to provide a range of training courses, including English, maths and construction, from September.

by Lisa O'Brien

Debra Mohammed, business manager at Frank F Harrison, said: "The council did assure us they would have found somewhere else for us to go if they had continued with their plan, but we are absolutely relieved with this result."

"This means we will not have to move. They have decided to go back to the original plans."

"We can keep our centre open and keep providing training opportunities for people in the area."

The charity currently delivers construction courses from the Construction Skills Centre, in Leamore Lane, but it has to vacate that venue by the end of this month.

The Education Support Centre, in Field Road, will also be saved due to the withdrawal of the plans.

New leisure centres are planned for Oak Park and Bloxwich under a £15m scheme to replace outdated facilities. The new leisure centre in Bloxwich, which will replace the existing complex in High Street, is expected to include a six-lane swimming pool.



Bloxwich-based Miss Teen Galaxy Wales Jess Watts is waiting to hear from American judges

Jess back from US pageant

A BEAUTY queen from Bloxwich has returned from a trip to America after taking part in an international pageant.

Jess Watts, Walsall Mayor's youth ambassador, represented Wales in the contest held in Orlando, Florida.

The 18-year-old has taken part in numerous pageants before but this time she competed against entrants from all over the world in Miss Teen Galaxy International.

Her mother Carol said: "We don't yet know where she placed in the competition but it is a fantastic achievement to get this far."

"It is such an achievement to even be selected to represent Wales and it has been a wonderful experience for Jess. She has come away with many memories and made friends from all over the world."

The beauty specialist, who runs a salon in Cannock, qualified to represent Wales because of her family's Welsh heritage.

Jogging to fitness in sessions by volunteers

VOLUNTEERS are being encouraged to take part in jogging sessions at Bloxwich Leisure Centre.

Jog Walsall is run by the council's sport and leisure team and helpers are needed to help run the classes.

Sessions are also being held at Walsall Arboretum, Willenhall E-ACT Academy and University of Wolverhampton's Walsall campus.

Richard Upton, Walsall Council active lifestyles officer, said: "We have a really packed programme of jogs at venues across the borough which is down to our wonderful team of volunteers."

"We are always looking to expand the programme and would love to hear from anyone interested in taking on a leader's role."

Sessions will be held at Bloxwich Leisure Centre today (Thursday) from 5.45pm.

For more information call 01922 658078 or email uptonr@walsall.gov.uk

Mayor is guest at centre fete

THE opening of a new day care facility in Bloxwich will be marked with a summer fete later this month.

It will be held at the Stan Ball Centre in Abbotts Street on August 22 from 11am and 2pm.

The Mayor of Walsall, Councillor Mohammed Nazir, is due to attend.

SUMMER SALE

up to
save 25%
on selected products

**Huge Range of Quality
Concrete / Metal / Wooden
Storage Sheds - Workshops
Single & Double Garages
Log Cabins - Garden Rooms**

✓ Free Quotations ✓ Old Buildings Removed inc Asbestos ✓ Base Laying Service ✓ Free Delivery & Fitting

Show Site (open 7 days): Tildasley Street,
West Bromwich B70 9SJ (Next to Staples)

Visit our website:
www.bettabuildings.co.uk

Call us now:
0121 553 4682

We make it **BETTA**
BUILDINGS

Wooden Sheds



Prices from...
6ft x 4ft £195
8ft x 6ft £285
10ft x 8ft £470

Concrete Garages

Roof replacement also available inc Asbestos



Prices from...
Single 16ft x 8ft £1544
Double 16ft x 16ft £3002

Summer Houses



Prices from...
7ft x 5ft £495
8ft x 6ft £550
8ft x 8ft £640



ENJOY A REAL

NEWSPAPER - ONLINE

TURN THE PAGES OF THE EXPRESS & STAR
ON YOUR DESKTOP

Only £4.99 per month or £1.49 per week

Interactive features including video. Updated within minutes of publication

GO TO WWW.EXPRESSANDSTAR.COM/DIGITAL-SUBSCRIBE

Express & Star

What's On! Walsall

A half price night with Fizzog and co

BLACK Country Living Museum is to throw open its doors 'after hours' for an evening of family-friendly activities.

Fire jugglers, mime artists, living statues, face painting and fairground rides will be on offer for people visiting on Saturday. There will also be a Charlie Chaplin impersonator and Fizzog Productions will put on a performance of Goldilocks with a Black Country twist.

Tickets are half the normal admission price and can be booked by calling 0121 520 8054 or online at www.bclm.com.

Tomorrow's stars in New Alex show

CELEBRATING its 10th anniversary Birmingham's New Alexandra Theatre Stage Experience continues to offer a showcase for the brightest and best young talent from across the West Midlands.

The youngsters have been working with a professional production team and an orchestra for two weeks to present a production of popular musical *Annie*.

The 'Tomorrow' musical will be staged from August 21 to 23. For tickets call the box office on 0844 871 3011.

Fun at the museum

A FUN day is at Walsall Leather Museum on August 28. Puppets and balloon modelling will be on offer at Littleton Street West, taking place between 10.30am and 4pm.

Win pairs of tickets to Black Country's own rock festival

SANDWELL Valley is set to rock over the August Bank Holiday weekend as fund raising music festival Judgetock returns, bigger and better than ever.

The Chronicle has teamed up with Sandwell Council to offer readers a chance to win one of 10 pairs of three-day weekend adult tickets for Judgetock, worth more than £60 per pair.

This year's family-friendly event will see dozens of bands across three different stages as, for the first time, Judgetock will be part of the annual Sandwell Show. Headliners will include The Quireboys (Saturday), The Twang (Sunday) and Brit-award winners Blue on Sunday, kicking off their European tour in Sandwell.

Voice

Main support acts are Mitchell Emms from the BBC's *The Voice*, Alabama 3 and R&B sensation Lemar. There will be local bands including XLR8 and tributes to Thin Lizzy, Pink, Lady Gaga and Michael Jackson.

Judgetock is dedicated to the memory of Simon Turton, a local man who lost his battle with cancer in 2011. Simon was an old school friend of festival organiser, Lee Judge, and the money raised will be going to aid Macmillan Cancer Support and the Mayor of Sandwell's charities.

Tickets for the event cost £12 plus booking fee per day for adults, or £30 plus booking fee for the three days event, £6 per day plus booking fee or £15 plus booking fee for the three days for children (5-16) with under 5s free when accompanied by a paying adult. See the website www.judgetock.com



Kerrang radio's Johnny Doom will compete Judgetock Music Festival stockmusicfestival.co.uk and tickets are available on www.ticketmaster.co.uk

For your chance to win tell us who Judgetock dedicated to?

Send your answer on a postcard, with your name, address and telephone number, to Judgetock Competition, Chronicle Editorial, 51-53 Queen Street, Wolverhampton WV1 1ES. Closing date August 23. Usual rules apply and the editor's decision is final.

Plant is back on road with a new group

HE'LL turn 65 on August 20 but Black Country rock icon Robert Plant is working harder than ever.

The star will headline Wolverhampton's Civic Hall on September 2 with his new band: Robert Plant Presents Sensational Space Shifters.

He has been on the road in recent times, telling audiences: "This is one of the most stimulating times in my life."

His gigs have featured Led Zeppelin material, which has satisfied many fans eager for the thunder of the 1970s act that sold as many as 300 million records.

His gigs have featured Babe I'm Gonna Leave You, Rock and Roll, Black Dog, Whole Lotta Love and Who Do You Love?

Plant is playing a small number of UK dates on his present tour. His tour starts in Bristol with a date at the Colston Hall on August 29 before moving onto the Stradbally Estate for its Electric Picnic.

He stops off in Wolverhampton for his one-off gig at the Civic before returning on October 29 for a headline at Manchester's Apollo.



Robert Plant - the icon is 65 next week and still rocking

V exciting star line-up at weekend

A STAR-STUDDED pop and rock line-up of more than 80 acts will be taking part in this weekend's V Festival at Weston Park, near Wolverhampton.

Topping the bill on Saturday night will be Americans Kings of Leon with support from Welsh rockers Stereophonics.

Other stages will offer more dance-orientated alternatives with Calvin Harris, Rita Ora and Basement Jaxx, or the jazz sound of Jamie Cullum.

Other acts during Saturday including, aptly, pop princesses The Saturdays, plus Emeli Sande, Rudimental, Tom Odel, McFly, Lawson, Ellie Goulding, Naughty Boy, Birmingham's Laura Mvula and rising star John Newman.

Or if comedy's your thing, the stand-ups on Saturday duty include Jon Richardson, Rob Rouse and Paul Chowdhury.

Beyonce

Megastar Beyonce tops the bill on Sunday with support from The Script, Jessie J, Paloma Faith, and Two Door Cinema Club. Whilst James and Deacon Blue will be warming up the crowds earlier on.

The other stages offer alternative headliners Steve Angello, Brum's Ocean Colour Scene and Benjamin Francis Leftwich. The day's comedy superstar is Eddie Izzard. For latest information visit www.vfestival.com

The owners of Five Rivers Leamington Spa and 4500 miles from Delhi are proud to announce that **Fiesta World Buffet & Bar** is now part of their family.



Early Bird Offer

Eat for just £9.99

Between 5pm - 7pm

Table must be vacated by 7pm

	Lunch	Dinner
Mon - Wed	£6.99	£11.99
Thursday	£6.99	£12.99
Friday	£6.99	£14.99
Saturday	£6.99	£14.99
Sunday	£9.99	£12.99

Children 4 and Under Free

Children 5-11 Half Price

2 FOR 1 WITH THIS VOUCHER



T&C: Expires 31st August 2013. EXCLUDES Saturdays and Sunday lunch times.

Cheapest meal will be deducted. 1 voucher per table, with a maximum of 5 complimentary meals per party. Does not include drinks. Cannot be used with any other offer including the Early Bird. This voucher must be mentioned when booking and presented at the time of billing. Walsall Chronicle

132 Lichfield Street, Town Centre, Walsall WS1 1SL

T: 01922 722 888

www.fiestaworldbuffet.com

Please visit us at [facebook.com/fiestaworldbuffet](https://www.facebook.com/fiestaworldbuffet) or follow us on [twitter @fiestabuffet](https://twitter.com/fiestabuffet)

Opening Times

	Lunch	Dinner
Mon - Wed	12.00 - 3.30pm	5.00 - 10.30pm
Thursday	12.00 - 3.30pm	5.00 - 11.00pm
Friday	12.00 - 4.00pm	5.00 - 11.00pm
Saturday	12.00 - 4.00pm	5.00 - 11.00pm
Sunday	12.00 - 4.00pm	5.00 - 10.30pm

What's On!

SATURDAY'S TV 17.08.13

Listings supplied by Press Association

CHOICE



Pointless Celebrities
BBC1, 5.45pm
Alexander Armstrong and his Richard Osman return for another helping of teasers in which famous faces have to guess which is the least popular answer on the board. For example, if we said: 'Name two stars of Red Dwarf', chances are Craig Charles and Danny John-Jules would feature rather high. We could ask you to name a couple of stars of one of the Beeb's another enormous hits, Mrs Brown's Boys. Yes, you could say Brendan O'Carroll and Jennifer Gibney. As you probably guessed, Craig, Danny, Brendan and Jennifer are all taking part in this week's show.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. **11.30** Lorraine's Fast, Fresh and Easy Food. (R) **12.00** Football Focus. **12.45** Saturday Sportsday. A round-up of the latest sports news. **1.00** BBC News: Regional News; Weather. **1.15** Athletics: World Championships. **5.25** BBC News: Regional News; Weather. **5.45** Pointless Celebrities. **6.35** That Puppet Game Show. **7.15** I Love My Country. Sally Lindsay, Gemma Atkinson, Billy Boyd, Michael Ball, Greg Rutherford and Faye Tozer demonstrate their knowledge of all things British. Game show, hosted by Gabby Logan. **8.00** The National Lottery: Break the Safe. Nick Knowles hosts the game show in which three couples take part in several quiz sessions in a bid to be the last pair standing. Includes the National Lottery results with OJ Borg. **8.50** Casualty. Part two of two. Zoe returns to find the ED in chaos and Jamie barricaded inside her office with Ramin, and as the situation escalates, the nurse must put his training to the test. **9.40** Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow. With Al Murray, Micky Flanagan, Jo Caulfield and Jon Richardson. (R) **10.10** BBC News: Weather. **10.30** Match of the Day. Highlights of the opening matches of the Premier League season; National Lottery Update. **11.55** The Football League Show. Highlights of today's games in the Championship, League One and League Two. **1.10** Weatherview. **1.15** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 This Is BBC Two. **7.30** Film: My Life with Caroline. (1941) **8.50** Film: Underwater! (1955) **10.25** Reel History of Britain. (R) **10.55** The Private Life of Plants. (R) **11.45** University Challenge. (R) **12.15** Athletics: World Championships. **1.15** Escape to the Country. (R) **2.00** Exploring China: A Culinary Adventure. (R) **3.00** Wild China. (R) **4.00** Urban Jungle. **4.30** Final Score. Round-up of football results. **5.30** Coast. **6.00** Flap! **7.00** Proms Extra 2013. Katie Derham presents a review of this week's concerts and there is an interview with Marin Alsop, who is set to become the first woman to conduct the Last Night of the Proms. **7.40** Dad's Army. Corporal Jones's fitness to serve is tested. (R) **8.10** Thatcher – The Downing Street Years. Documentary from 1993 examining the former Conservative prime minister's 11 years in office between 1979 and 1990, beginning as her new government tries to revive the UK's economy. (R) **9.10** Top of the Lake. Matt reveals a secret that leaves Robin in despair, but the detective summons up her last reserves of strength to try to find out before her father can. Last in the series. **10.10** QI XL. With Sue Perkins, Ross Noble and Professor Brian Cox. (R) **11.00** Film: Rabbit-Proof Fence. (2002) Fact-based Australian drama, starring Everly Sampi. **12.25** Film: 2 Days in Paris. (2007) **2.00** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV. Jake and the Neverland Pirates. **6.15** Jake and the Neverland Pirates. **6.25** Poppy Cat. (R) **6.40** Poppy Cat. (R) **6.50** Canimals. (R) **7.00** Canimals. (R) **7.10** Bookaboo. (R) **7.20** Kick Butowski – Suburban Daredevil. **7.35** The Avengers: Earth's Mightiest Heroes! **8.00** Gravity Falls. **8.25** ITV News. **8.30** Dinner Date. (R) **9.25** Saturday Cookbook. (R) **10.20** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **11.20** Saturday Farm. **12.25** Countrywise. (R) **12.35** ITV News; Weather. **12.40** All Star Mr & Mrs. (R) **1.45** Film: Smokey and the Bandit II. (1980) **3.35** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.30** Regional Programme: Weather. **5.45** ITV News; Weather. **6.00** You've Been Framed! Harry Hill narrates a selection of camcorder calamities and viewers' mobile-phone footage, including cute children, silly seniors and animals unable to get along. (R) **6.30** You've Been Framed! Unlikely insurance claims. (R) **7.00** Film: Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix. (2007) Fantasy adventure sequel, starring Daniel Radcliffe. **9.40** The Americans. The Jennings plot their next move carefully when they meet an American asset who plans to give them highly classified information, while Stan gains an unprecedented opportunity. **10.35** ITV News; Weather. **10.50** Film: State of Play. (2009) Political thriller, starring Russell Crowe. **1.00** Jackpot247. **3.00** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **3.40** ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.05 British GT. **6.30** The Grid. **7.00** IPC Swimming World Championships 2013. **8.00** The Morning Line. **9.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. **9.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **10.00** Frasier. (R) **10.30** Frasier. (R) **11.00** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **11.30** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.00** The Simpsons. (R) **12.30** Undercover Boss Australia. (R) **1.30** Channel 4 Racing. **4.10** V Festival 2013: Saturday Live. **4.40** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.15** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.45** Come Dine with Me. (R) **6.15** Come Dine with Me. Chris Wood, the self-confessed "campest straight man in the world" hosts the fourth and final dinner party in Grimsby, North East Lincolnshire, and the winner is revealed. (R) **6.45** Channel 4 News. **7.00** Film: Mission: Impossible. (1996) A secret agent is accused of betraying his fellow spies, and sets out on a mission to clear his name. Action thriller based on the 1960s TV series, with Tom Cruise and Jon Voight. **9.00** Film: Knight and Day. (2010) A woman gets kidnapped and dragged into a rogue secret agent's mission to clear his name after he is framed as a traitor. Comedy adventure, starring Tom Cruise. **11.10** Stephen Merchant: Hello Ladies. The Office co-creator's critically acclaimed 2011 stand-up comedy show, based on his experiences of the rocky road to finding love. **12.10** V Festival 2013: Saturday Highlights. **1.35** Crazy about One Direction. (R) **2.35** Holyoaks. (R) **4.00** Countdown. (R) **5.30** Baking Mad with Eric Lanlard. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! **10.00** Power Rangers: Megaforce. **10.35** Sluggerra. **11.00** Inside Hollywood. **11.05** Big Brother: Live Eviction. (R) **12.30** Film: The Battle of the V1. (1958) **2.30** Film: Anzio. (1968) **4.50** Film: Columbo: Ashes to Ashes. (1989) **6.35** Film: Jesse Stone: Benefit of the Doubt. (2012) The troubled cop returns to his role as chief of police to bring the perpetrators of a Mob-related double homicide to justice. Detective thriller, with Tom Selleck. **8.05** NCIS. An ex-serviceman is beaten to death in his own back garden, and the agents are forced to consider the possibility his wife – a marine and martial arts expert – is the killer. (R) **9.00** NCIS. The team is forced to undergo psychological evaluations while investigating the death of a submarine's commanding officer. (R) **9.50** 5 News Weekend. **10.00** Big Brother. Another chance to see last night's eviction, in which one unlucky housemate missed out on a place in the final week in the house. **11.00** Big Brother's Bit on the Psych. AJ Odudu is joined by a panel of psychologists and celebrity fans to analyse the housemates' behaviour in the lead-up to Monday's final. **12.00** SuperCasino. **4.00** Wildlife SOS. (R) **4.25** Make It Big. (R) **4.50** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **5.00** Angels of Jarm. (R) **5.05** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.20** Angels of Jarm. (R) **5.25** The Funky Valley Show. (R) **5.40** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **5.50** Hana's Helpline. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three
7.00 Great Movie Mistakes 2011: Not in 3D **7.15** Film: Shanghai Noon (2000) Comedy Western, starring Jackie Chan and Owen Wilson. **9.00** Film: Armageddon (1998) Sci-fi thriller, starring Bruce Willis. **11.20** Family Guy **BBC Four**
7.00 Precision: The Measure of All Things **8.00** Tiger – Spy in the Jungle **9.00** Sebastian Bergman **10.30** Quadrophonia – Can You See the Real Me? **11.40** The Who at the Electric Proms **ITV2**
3.00 Film: What a Girl Wants (2003) **5.05** Film: Step Up 2: The Streets (2008) **7.00** You've Been Framed! **9.00** Film: The Bourne Supremacy (2004) **11.15** Film: Red Dragon (2002) **ITV3**
2.45 Film: The Mirror Crack'd (1980) **4.50** Inspector Morse **7.00** Foyle's War **9.00** Lewis. The death of an Oxford don leads to the shady underworld of unlicensed boxing. **11.00** Wire in the Blood **ITV4**
3.05 Film: Police Academy 4: Citizens on Patrol (1987) **4.50** Film: Where Eagles Dare (1969) **8.00** Black Gold **9.00** Film: Demolition Man (1993) **11.20** Film: Magnum Force (1973) **E4**
5.30 The Mindy Project **6.00** The Big Bang Theory **7.00** Suburgatory **7.30** How I Met Your Mother **8.30** Happy Endings **9.00** Film: The Beach (2000) **11.20** PhoneShop **11.55** The Inbetweeners **Film4**
2.55 August Rush (2007) **5.05** The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader (2010) **7.15** Airplane! (1980) **9.00** The Ugly Truth (2009) **10.50** Machete (2010)

Quality Riser Recliners & Adjustable Beds

Low Price Guarantee†



BUY ONE GET ONE FREE!*

Call us now for a free home trial or our full colour brochure

0800 020 9382



SUPPORT BRITISH INDUSTRY

Westminster Recliners



* Mayfair and Queen Anne models only. † If you find the same or similar product at a lower price, Westminster Recliners will match it.

ADVERTISEMENT

Denture troubles? Unable to live life spontaneously?

THERE'S seemingly an impossible amalgamation between glamour and dentures, but these unlikely descriptive bedfellows are increasingly being thrown together at a Wolverhampton clinic.

Under the watchful eye of dentist Steven Burchell DipCDT RCS(Eng), founder of the Dudley-based Denture Clinic, regular surgeries held at his Tetterhall Road practice are helping patients turn back the hands of time.

The practice is part of a growing portfolio of locations with surgeries also at North Street, Dudley; Fresh Dental in St Mary's Road, Bearwood; and most recently, Comberton Dental Surgery in Comberton Road, Kidderminster.

A champion for those who wear dentures, Steven has spent more than ten years campaigning to "break the taboo over false teeth." He is evangelical about what new generation denture prescriptions can achieve.

"Dentures have traditionally never been associated with cosmetic makeovers, but our high-quality prosthetics have quite literally taken years off some of our patients," he says.

"People have come to us with

Your smile is priceless



ill-fitting dentures, sunken cheeks and pinched lips and we have been privileged to transform their looks. Can dentures be glamorous? Emphatically, yes.

"We remain on the cusp of development, so that those who entrust their smile to us can be sure they will be advised on the best options."

Steven's work has attracted people from all walks of life, including a former SAS mountain warfare specialist, an airline pilot, a multi-millionaire with his own jet, health professionals and "ordinary salt-of-the-earth people from the Black Country."

The clinic's prosthetics, hand-crafted at laboratories at the Dudley and Wolverhampton practices, have also

found satisfied patients from as far away as Spain and Portugal. And the secret of his success? A seamless service to clients, where clinical assessment and the crafting of prescriptions are all in-house.

"It's a simple formula," said Steven, "but it has allowed me to be fastidious about the quality of teeth we supply."

"We will never compromise on best clinical outcomes and that same ethos is core to all of our clinics. We are always reimagining what dentures can achieve."

He admitted that denture wearers are one of the most challenging groups to treat successfully, presenting some "monumental" challenges.

"Many patients have had a bad deal for years, but we are in the vanguard of changing outcomes and hopefully changing some lives for the better too," said Steven.

Steven draws on more than 30 years' experience in all disciplines of dental technology to produce his hallmark "functional, natural-looking teeth."

Having completed his training as a dental technician and started his own laboratory, Steven enrolled on a three-and-a-half year CDT training course with the George Brown College in Toronto, Canada, to enable him to work in his dental discipline independently of a dentist.

Graduating with honours, Steven undertook a further year's study under the auspices of The Royal College of Surgeons.

Options

Traditional

THE Denture Clinic is renowned for its natural look. Denturist Steven Burchell Dip CDT RCS (Eng), says: "Quality, traditional dentures can be hugely effective."

Suction

DENTURES which use suction to stay in place are helping to resolve common stability problems. The Ultra Suction teeth are held in place by tiny valve-operated devices fitted into the prosthetic.

Implant retained

DENTURES retained by implants offer a guaranteed solution to stability issues. Implant procedures are available at the Wolverhampton premises through Total Implant Solutions.



Steven Burchell
Dip CDT RCS (Eng)
(GDC108353)
with Denture Clinic
manager Peter Brookings
(GDC124429)



01902 539300

The Denture Clinic

82 Tetterhall Road,

Wolverhampton, WV1 4TF

www.denture-clinic.co.uk

email: info@denture-clinic.co.uk

Let us help you to regain lost looks and boost your confidence

• Complete dentures • Partial dentures • Copy dentures • Implant-retained dentures • Same-day repairs • Relines • Soft linings

What's On!

SUNDAY'S TV 18.08.13

Listings supplied by Press Association

CHOICE



Rebecca Ferguson

The White Queen
BBC1, 9pm

The last episode of this series doesn't bring much joy for Queen of England Anne Neville. Her health is deteriorating and what with the death of son Prince Edward and then hearing of her husband's love for Princess Elizabeth, she resigns herself to her fate. However, Anne's determined to clear her conscience first, and even manages to bury the hatchet with Elizabeth, but just as an eclipse occurs, the Queen passes away. Anne's death means there's now a chance for Elizabeth's first-born daughter Princess Elizabeth to marry her uncle King Richard III.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **8.35** Match of the Day. (R) **10.00** Sunday Morning Live. **11.00** Homes Under the Hammer. (R) **12.00** BBC News; Weather. **12.10** Bargain Hunt. **12.40** Athletics: World Championships. **4.15** Escape to the Country. (R) **5.00** Songs of Praise. **5.35** Britain's Big Wildlife Revival. **6.35** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **7.00** Countryfile. In south Oxfordshire, Julia Bradbury explores the Wittenham Clumps and John Craven lends a hand on a farm that is providing work experience for people with learning difficulties. **8.00** Antiques Roadshow. New series. Items on show at Polesden Lacey in Surrey include a glove thought to have belonged to Elizabeth I and a brooch kept hidden for years while its owner was in a POW camp. **9.00** The White Queen. The death of Anne provides hope that Princess Elizabeth and Richard III will marry, but battle looms with Henry Tudor waiting to invade and claim the throne. Last in the series. **10.00** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **10.25** Match of the Day 2. Mark Chapman presents action from today's Premier League fixtures, which were Crystal Palace v Tottenham Hotspur at Selhurst Park and Chelsea v Hull City at Stamford Bridge. **11.25** That Puppet Game Show. (R) **12.05** Film: Nothing to Lose. (1997) **1.40** Weather. **1.45** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 This Is BBC Two. **6.45** Film: The Lost Moment. (1947) **8.00** Around the World in 80 Days. (R) **9.00** Gardeners' World. (R) **9.30** The Beechgrove Garden. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. **11.30** Raymond Blanc: How to Cook Well. (R) **12.00** EastEnders. **1.55** Coast. **2.25** Film: Krakatoa, East of Java. (1968) **4.30** What's Killing Our Bees? A Horizon Special. (R) **5.30** Flog It! **6.30** Live MotoGP. The Indianapolis Grand Prix (Start-time 7.00pm). Coverage from the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, as the riders battle for points in the 10th round of the season. **8.00** Dragons' Den. An embarrassing malfunction affects a product designer's pitch, and a married couple hope a Brazilian dance troupe will encourage the Dragons to invest in a range of cooking sauces. **9.00** The Hairy Bikers: Restoration Road Trip. Si King and Dave Myers help rebuild an early traction engine before learning how it revolutionised farming, and restore a rare barge once used to transport coal on Britain's canals. **10.00** Blackadder the Third. Prince George hires two actors to improve his speech-making. (R) **10.30** Film: Frost/Nixon. (2008) British broadcaster and journalist David Frost sets up a series of interviews with disgraced former US president Richard Nixon. Drama, with Frank Langella. **12.25** Sign Zone: Countryfile. (R) **1.20** Holby City. (R) **2.20** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Jake and the Neverland Pirates. **6.15** Jake and the Neverland Pirates. **6.25** Poppy Cat. (R) **6.40** Poppy Cat. (R) **6.50** Animals. (R) **7.00** Animals. (R) **7.10** Bookaboo. (R) **7.20** Kick Butowski - Suburban Daredevil. **7.35** Tipping Point: Lucky Stars. Britt Ekland, Sherrie Hewson and Robin Cousins take part in the quiz show in which contestants answer questions to win turns on an arcade-style machine. **8.00** Martin Clunes - Heavy Horsepower. The actor explores the important role of working horses. (R) **9.00** Law & Order: UK. A gay man is found brutally murdered. Last in the series. **10.00** ITV News; Weather. **10.15** Perspectives: Warwick Davis - The Seven Dwarfs of Auschwitz. A Jewish family of travelling musicians who survived the concentration camp. (R) **11.15** Murder, She Wrote. International intrigue is on the cards for Jessica. (R) **12.1** The Store. **2.15** British Superbike Championship Highlights. **3.30** Motorsport UK. **4.15** ITV Nightscreen. **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R)

CHANNEL 4

6.00 The Treacle People. (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** Ironman 2013. **7.00** IPC Swimming World Championships 2013. **7.55** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.25** Frasier. (R) **8.55** Frasier. (R) **9.30** Sunday Brunch. **12.30** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **1.00** The Simpsons. (R) **1.30** Film: The Legend of Zorro. (2005) Swashbuckling adventure sequel, starring Antonio Banderas. **4.00** V Festival 2013: Sunday Live. **4.40** Film: Step Up 3. (2010) Premiere. Drama, starring Rick Malambri. **6.40** Channel 4 News. **7.00** Kirstie's Fill Your House for Free. Kirstie Allsopp sources and creates furniture for a Suffolk couple, and a Lancashire woman hopes to transform her cramped bathroom with a nautical theme. Last in the series. (R) **8.00** The Mill. Lucy and Esther set out to expose Mr Timperley, convinced he is responsible for Catherine's disappearance, while Robert breaks bad news at the factory. Last in the series. **9.00** Southcliffe. One year on, an anonymous letter reawakens David's fear that Morton is alive, so the reporter returns to Southcliffe - and suspects a new threat is imminent. Last in the series. **10.05** Film: Dear John. (2010) A soldier falls in love with a student, but their relationship is put to the test when he decides to return to duty. Romantic drama, starring Channing Tatum and Amanda Seyfried. **12.05** V Festival 2013 Highlights. **1.30** Film: Baaria. (2008) **4.10** A Film from My Parish. (R) **4.20** Three in a Bed. (R) **5.15** Countdown. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **6.15** Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) **6.25** Bubble Guppies. (R) **6.40** The Mr Men Show. (R) **6.50** Chloe's Closet. **7.05** Roobarb and Custard Too. (R) **7.10** Bananas in Pyjamas. (R) **7.25** Noddy in Toyland. (R) **7.40** City of Friends. (R) **7.55** Little Princess. (R) **8.10** The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) **8.20** Milkshake! Monkey. (R) **8.25** Angelina Ballerina. (R) **8.45** Rupert Bear. (R) **9.00** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.15** Toby's Travelling Circus. **9.30** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **9.45** Jelly Jam. **10.00** The Mr Men Show. (R) **10.15** Power Rangers Samurai. (R) **10.50** Sluggers. **11.10** Inside Hollywood. **11.15** Big Brother. (R) **12.15** BB BOTS: Ryan's Supersized Celebrity Sunday. **1.15** The Inspector Returns. (R) **2.20** Film: Tinker Bell and the Lost Treasure. (2009) **3.50** Film: Bewitched. (2005) **5.50** Film: Hitch. (2005) **8.00** Once Upon a Time. Regina uses magic to give Belle a set of false memories. **8.55** 5 News Weekend. **9.00** Big Brother. The last daily round-up before the final, as the remaining housemates focus their eyes on the main prize, having survived almost 10 weeks at Big Brother's pleasure. **10.00** Film: Next. (2007) Thriller, starring Nicolas Cage. **11.55** Film: Above the Law. (1988) Thriller, with Steven Seagal. **1.45** SuperCasino. **4.00** Wildlife SOS. (R) **4.25** Make It Big. (R) **4.50** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **5.00** Angels of Jarn. (R) **5.10** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.20** Angels of Jarn. (R) **5.25** The Funky Valley Show. (R) **5.40** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **5.50** Hana's Helpline. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three
7.00 Robin Hood **7.45** Great Movie Mistakes IV: May the Fourth Be with You **8.15** Film: Shanghai Knights (2003) **10.00** Family Guy **10.45** Boom Town **11.15** American Dad!
BBC Four
7.00 A Poet's Guide to Britain **7.30** Proms on Four: 20th Century Classics **9.00** Review Show **10.00** The Fairytale Castles of King Ludwig II with Dan Cruickshank **11.00** Alan Whicker's Journey of a Lifetime
ITV2
3.15 Film: The Mighty Ducks (1992) **5.25** Film: Johnny English (2003) **7.15** Film: The Scorpion King (2002) **9.00** Film: The Shawshank Redemption (1994) **11.50** Hell's Kitchen
ITV3
3.40 Murder, She Wrote **4.35** Wycliffe **6.55** Agatha Christie's Poirot **9.00** Film: Dangerous Liaisons (1988) **11.35** A Touch of Frost
ITV4
1.25 Film: The Manchurian Candidate (1962) **4.00** Film: Paths of Glory (1957) **5.45** Film: Aces High (1978) **8.00** Film: Police Academy 5: Assignment Miami Beach (1988) **10.00** Film: National Lampoon's Loaded Weapon 1 (1993) **E4**
3.30 How I Met Your Mother **5.30** Mindy Project **6.00** The Big Bang Theory **7.30** New Girl **8.00** Film: New in Town (2009) **10.00** The B**** in Apartment 23 **11.00** Alan Carr: Chatty Man Christmas Special
Film4
2.55 Carry On Teacher (1959) **4.40** Love Happens (2009) **6.50** Mad Money (2008) **9.00** The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring (2001)

Quality Riser Recliners & Adjustable Beds

Low Price Guarantee*

BUY ONE GET ONE FREE!*

Call us now for a free home trial or our full colour brochure

0800 020 9382

SUPPORT
BRITISH
INDUSTRYWestminster
Recliners

* Mayfair and Queen Anne models only. † If you find the same or similar product at a lower price, Westminster Recliners will match it.

CHASE BEDROOMS
& KITCHENS LTD

- KITCHENS • BEDROOMS
 - BATHROOMS • HOME OFFICES
- High Quality • Low Prices**

Call 01543 379666 for a FREE No Obligation Quote

- Bedrooms and Home Offices from over 300 designs
- No deposit and balance on completion
- 250 door styles and 150 laminate worktops, granite, quartz or real wood

FOR GREAT 2013 SAVINGS VISIT THE FACTORY SHOWROOM

Chase Bedrooms and Kitchens Ltd, Unit 1 Toll Point, Chase Road, Brownhills, Walsall, West Midlands WS8 6JT

www.chasebedroomsandkitchens.co.uk • Tel: 01543 379666

Family business
established 20 years
with large showroom



We don't
guarantee to
beat any
'LIKE FOR LIKE'
price - but we'll
be surprised if
we don't !!



What's On!

Film Choices

MONDAY

The Perfect Assistant, Channel 5, 3.15pm

A woman becomes obsessively infatuated with her boss, but does not act on her desires. However, when his wife becomes seriously ill, she sees an opportunity to murder her, so the object of her affection will be available. Thriller, starring Josie Davis, Chris Potter and Sophie Gendron. (2008)

TUESDAY

While My Pretty One Sleeps, Channel 5, 3.10pm

A prominent gossip columnist is murdered before she can expose a scandal in the fashion industry. However, a tenacious boutique owner's curiosity is piqued by the case and she begins her own investigation – only to end up in danger from the Mafia. Murder mystery based on Mary Higgins Clark's novel, starring Connie Sellecca, Beau Starr and Frankie Pellegrino. (1997)



The Da Vinci Code, Wednesday, Channel 5, 9pm

WEDNESDAY

The Da Vinci Code, Channel 5, 9pm

A respected academic goes on the run when he is framed for the murder of a French historian. Pursued by the detective on the case and a sinister assassin monk, he strives to unmask the culprit, leading to a conspiracy determined to preserve a 2,000-year-old secret at any cost. Thriller based on Dan Brown's novel, starring Tom Hanks, Audrey Tautou and Ian McKellen. (2006)

Smart People, BBC1, 11.35pm

Misanthropic professor Lawrence Wetherhold engages in a faltering romance with a former student, but his self-absorption threatens to wreck their relationship. He also has to contend with his freeloading brother, who is determined to get Lawrence's uptight, achievement-obsessed teenage daughter to lead a normal life. Comedy drama, starring Dennis Quaid. (2008)

THURSDAY

The Pledge, ITV, 10.35pm

A Nevada cop is on the verge of retiring when a desperate woman begs him to find whoever is responsible for her seven-year-old daughter's murder. Unable to turn her down, he begins an unofficial investigation, sure that the man his former colleagues suspect is innocent – but as he draws closer to the killer, he becomes increasingly obsessed. Drama, directed by Sean Penn and starring Jack Nicholson. (2000)

FRIDAY

Pitch Black, ITV, 10.35pm

A spaceship crashes on a desolate alien planet inhabited by nocturnal predators. The creatures' fear of light seems to guarantee the survivors' safety – but when an eclipse takes place, they face a desperate struggle to survive. Sci-fi horror, starring Vin Diesel. (2000)

Pick of the Week

Robin is left stunned by Matt's hidden secret

"Top of the Lake is a classic mythic struggle," says Jane Campion, the acclaimed writer and director who co-created the series.

Those who've watched the entire series, which ends this week, would no doubt agree with her; they'd also add that it's been completely riveting.

But has tuning in been an enjoyable experience? The word 'enjoy' is perhaps not appropriate in this case – 'endured' is probably more fitting.

Not that the plot hasn't been gripping, moving and intriguing, but claiming to have enjoyed something involving such a grueling experience as watching the fall-out from a pregnant 12-year-old's disappearance seems wrong. Nevertheless, we've continued to tune in, utterly transfixed by an incredible and powerful story with, unusually these days, a completely unguessable finale.

And as it all draws to a close this evening, with a bit of luck, we can soon all get back to having fun on a Saturday night instead of feeling emotionally drained.

The main focus of the drama has been Robin (Elisabeth Moss), a cop

specialising in child cases. She grew up in the area where the story has taken place, but it's her first return there since a traumatic event in her own youthful years.

However, always lurking in the background has been Matt Mitcham, the father of pregnant Tui. He's an odd character who also seems to have baffled Peter Mullan, the acclaimed Scottish actor who plays him.

"I can't tell you much about Matt because I'd never profess to know a character," says Mullan. "All you can do is kind of find their soul. The rest takes care of itself."

"He simply exists in his own world and he has his own rules and he has his own issues, shall we say, not least of which is a certain narcissism, a certain amount of self-loathing, a fairly complex relationship with his mother, a very complex relationship with his kids, and a certain sense of entitlement."

"He's good fun and he's a bit wicked in the sense that he'll do things some people would wish they could do. And he's rude and abrasive and massively,

massively insecure and full of all his own self-pity."

Mullan also describes Matt as "a bit alpha male," which is an understatement; Matt is in complete control of his family.

"His kids love him only because he's all that's there to love," explains the actor. "I've no interest in making someone sympathetic. What I am interested in is, even though one may not like someone they're as human as the next person."

Matt is certainly in the thick of things as the final episode begins.

Robin's obsession with finding Tui reaches boiling point as she realises the little girl's due date is drawing ever closer. She visits Matt, determined to once and for all get some useful information from him.

Matt has something to say, but his news leaves Robin in utter despair.

Nevertheless, she digs deep, soldiers on and heads off to find Tui before her father can get his hands on her – but she isn't prepared for shocking conclusion that's about to confront her...



Elisabeth Moss stars in Top of the Lake, Saturday, BBC2, 9.10pm

Best of the Rest

MONDAY

The Incredible Spice Men BBC2, 8.30pm

Variety, they say, is the spice of life. Except when it comes to cooking – then spice is the spice of life, and two chefs in particular know exactly how to eke the most out of it. In this new five-part series, Tony Singh and Cyrus Todiwala set out to demonstrate how good old British grub can be improved even further with clever use of herbs and spices. They start out in Hastings, East Sussex, where they show how ginger and lime can help to complement the subtle flavour of Dover sole.

Big Brother: The Final Channel 5, 9pm

In 1986, Nine-and-a-Half Weeks became one of the most talked about movies of the era. The same amount of time has been spent on the far less steamy run of Big Brother. Alan Partridge lookalike Dexter has been good value for money admittedly, and the twins, Jack and Joe have raised a few giggles. As for Hazel, Charlie, Gina, Sam and Sophie? They captured the imaginations of some, surviving eviction well into early August. Now there are just a few hours to go until Big Brother bows out for another series. Emma Willis will reveal who is the latest winner in a double bill wrapped around much hyped new import, Under the Dome.

TUESDAY

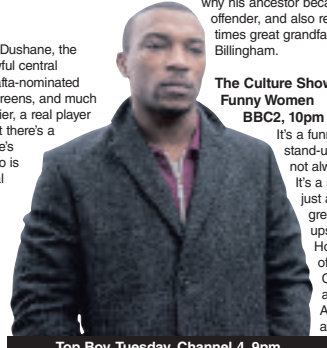
The Great British Bake Off BBC2, 8pm

Bakers up and down the nation have had their egos stroked by the trailers for series four of the

ratings winner already, as it proclaimed: "Cake; It's What Makes Us Great." The ensuing weeks, however, will be spent hammering them back down again, as we see just how high a bar Mary Berry and Paul Hollywood set for baking excellence. This week's opener focuses purely on cakes – and let's face it, if our amateur bakers can't master those, what business do they have in Mel Giedroyc and Sue Perkins' kitchen tent? First up, they have to make a traditional sandwich cake, before the technical challenge sees them take on an angel food cake, and a chocolate-based cake in the showstopper round.

Top Boy Channel 4, 9pm

It's two years since we last saw Dushane, the charming, sexy, clever but unlawful central character in Ronan Bennett's Baffa-nominated drama. Now he's back on our screens, and much has changed. He's now a high-flyer, a real player in the world of his boss, Joe. But there's a storm brewing involving Dushane's former right-hand man Sully, who is now a potentially dangerous rival with a new partner in crime, the violent and volatile Mike. It looks as if their bubble is about to be burst when they're arrested for the murder of a mutual rival – but Dushane has an ace up his sleeve in the shape of beautiful solicitor Rhianna, who is so sharp, she gives him a run for his money as well as the police.



Top Boy, Tuesday, Channel 4, 9pm

WEDNESDAY

Who Do You Think You Are? BBC1, 9pm

It's been a few years since Gary Lineker was a star on the pitch, but thanks to his presenting duties on Match of the Day, not to mention those ubiquitous crisp adverts, he's rarely been out of the public eye since; on Saturday, August 17 alone he's in That Puppet Show, and a new run of MOTD. But this show is less about him and more about his family, including his great-great-grandfather James Pratt. He was a poacher in Victorian England who served time in Leicester Prison. Gary investigates why his ancestor became a repeat offender, and also researches his four-times great grandfather Thomas Billingham.

The Culture Show at Edinburgh: Funny Women BBC2, 10pm

It's a funny old business stand-up comedy, and not always funny ha ha.

It's a sad fact that there just aren't that many great female stand-ups out there.

However, the likes of Bridget Christie, Claudia O'Doherty and Dana Alexander are attempting to redress the

balance with their turns at the Edinburgh Festival. Sue Perkins will be spotlighting their talents, as well as chatting to Lucy Porter, Jo Caulfield, Andi Osho and Shappi Khorsandi. They all reveal how and why they got into comedy, along with one of British showbusiness's most reliable funny women, Jo Brand.

THURSDAY

Poaching Wars with Tom Hardy ITV, 9pm

We're a nation of animal lovers, us Brits, which makes us not too dissimilar, funnily enough, to Bafta Award-winning Tom Hardy. Sure, the actor has wowed us with performances in the likes of Bronson, Inception and The Dark Knight Rises, but for a one-off, he's not putting on an act – we're about to watch him exercising his love for animals, as he travels to South Africa, Botswana and Tanzania. Yep, this time he's got an altogether different agenda – to uncover the truth about why poaching elephants and rhinos has reached crisis levels and to see for himself what can be done to put an end to the killing.

FRIDAY

Emmerdale ITV, 7pm

Normally the plot thickens in soaps, but in Emmerdale one is being dug up – namely the glamping site. It marks the end of Declan's business dream, but that's just the tip of the dramatic iceberg. Declan is desperate for Jai to invest in his business, but he refuses, so Macey hopes Charity will help change Jai's mind.

Short breaks, holidays and long haul adventures to destinations near and far

...by coach, rail, Eurostar, self-drive and air

star  **extra TRAVEL**

See us online at: www.expressandstar.com/starextratravel

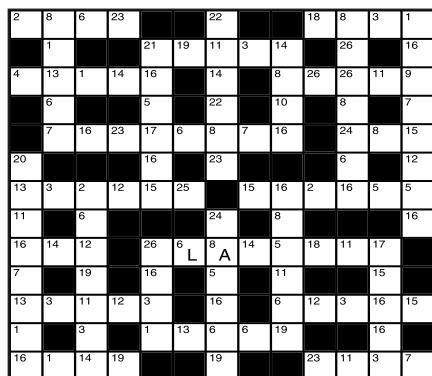
Brought to you by the **Express & Star**

Brain Gym

No.234

Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

K	T	E	L	P	A	G	I	R	D	Z	C	X
Q	H	J	F	N	M	Y	W	S	U	B	O	V

Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

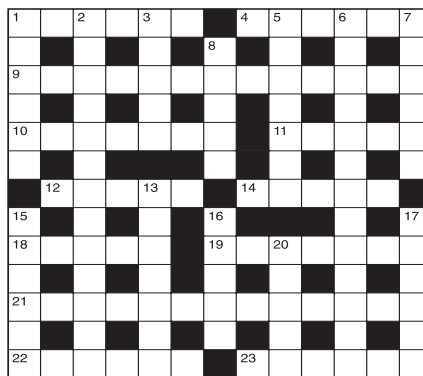
Cryptic Clues:

Across

- One girl that is after another (6)
- Sort of hat used by gardeners? (6)
- Distinctions that may be standardised, in a way (6,7)
- All the same, it suits servicemen (7)
- It's used in a theatre, or there about! (5)
- Resplendent part of a flag lowered at sunset (5)
- Ultimately refusing employment (5)
- Large group in which order is loosely observed (5)
- It may need a jack up before repairing (7)
- Dual purpose stores for lifeboats? (5-8)
- Such a game is not for amateurs! (6)
- Spills a signal and gets into a row (6)

Down

- A sailor has to scowl about toil (6)
- Advantageously placed for a glamor photograph? (7,6)
- Northern block-house (5)
- They give point to work in the theatre (7)
- Surprised having forty winks (6,7)
- Run and see, perhaps, to make certain (6)
- It's quite rough and ready, as a rule (5)
- Go over the limit and speed too much? (7)
- Appear to expose a fraud? (4,2)
- Moving stair, perhaps (5)
- One would be mad to be out of them! (6)
- Excellent, but not fast, way to surpass others (5)



Quick Clues:

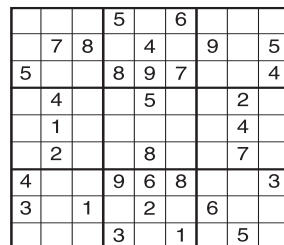
Across

- Comment (6)
- Builds (6)
- Weighing device (6,7)
- Lingers (7)
- Subject (5)
- Once more (5)
- Expert (5)
- Repair (5)
- Baggage (7)
- Frankness (5-8)
- Respect (6)
- Account book (6)

Down

- Outcome (6)
- Wedding celebration (8,5)
- Scope (5)
- Connected (7)
- Meditating (13)
- Searcher (6)
- Reville (5)
- Concentrated (7)
- Threefold (6)
- Incline (5)
- Mendicant (6)
- Degree (5)

Sudoku



Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

5	3	7	1	9	2	8	4	6
9	8	2	4	3	6	1	7	5
4	6	1	7	5	8	9	3	2
3	5	6	7	4	2	1	9	8
1	7	8	2	3	6	5	4	9
2	4	9	6	1	5	7	8	3
7	2	5	3	8	9	4	6	1
8	9	4	5	6	1	3	2	7
6	1	3	2	4	7	5	9	8

LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS: CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Sound barrier; 7 Dates; 8 Stake; 9 Eon; 10 Out and out; 11 Hamlet; 12 Entomb; 15 Free trade; 17 Ill; 18 Elgar; 19 Revue; 21 Let well alone. Down: 1 Scene; 2 Dot; 3 Assets; 4 Resonance; 5 Erato; 6 Led to believe; 7 Denim; 10 Overthrow; 13 Olive; 14 Barrel; 16 Eagle; 20 Via. QUICK - Across: 1 Discomposure; 7 Litter; 8 Erode; 9 Dry; 10 Prouette; 11 Aftaid; 12 Sample; 15 Turpitude; 17 Era; 18 Guide; 19 Trite; 21 Interruption. Down: 1 Disadvantage; 2 Out; 3 Poetry; 4 Speculate; 5 Roost; 6 Deceleration; 7 Layer; 10 Privilege; 13 Piece; 14 Muster; 16 Reign; 20 Imp.



Good Night Ring

"Don't know how it works but it does, it's amazing"
Simon B

The Sound of Silence
This just might be what you are looking for

Available at Boots, your local pharmacy
Online at amazon.co.uk or www.goodnightsnoring.co.uk

This product has not been proven by a Clinical Trial

Cannock Blinds

A BLIND FOR EVERY WINDOW

- INTU Blinds
- Roman
- Velux
- Wooden
- Venetian
- Roller
- Vertical
- Roller
- Awnings
- Curved Tracks

FREE FITTING ON ALL ORDERS
Have a Room with a View
Daytime, evening and weekend home visits available.
For your next home visit and free quote

sales@cannockblinds.co.uk
www.cannockblinds.co.uk

07881 890062 / 07900 172852 / 01237 451799

£50 OFF Cannock Blinds
On all Orders over £250
*1 voucher per order over £250

BJD Sheds and fencing

Garden Sheds/Fencing supplied and fitted panels made to measure. Free quotes. Efficient delivery services available.

All areas covered

Tel: 0121 526 5467

fires & fireplaces

SUMMER SALE

Fireplaces with Lights from **£299**

Upto 30% off Marble Fireplaces, made to measure locally.

LARGE CAR PARK BEHIND DIZZY KIDZ

WE ARE HERE

Open 5 Days a week 10am - 5pm
Closed Sundays & Wednesday

Unit 6, Arrow Industrial Estate, Straight Road, Short Heath, Willenhall WV12 5RA

01922 475222

www.firesfireplaceswillenhall.co.uk

wow!

Great value coach holidays

• Coaches depart from your local West Midlands pick up point
• Free excursion programme • Dinner, bed & breakfast and entertainment at most hotels

Llandudno Snowdonia & Anglesey

Two / four nights dinner, bed & breakfast at the seaford White House Hotel

2 FREE COACH TRIPS ON 5 DAY TOURS

3 days £79.95	5 days NOW £159.95
FRIDAYS 13 SEP 18 OCT	MONDAYS 26 AUG, 9, 23 SEP 7, 21 OCT

5 DAY TOURS Mon 26 Aug

Newquay Supersaver	£179.95
Isle of Arran & Red Deer Range	£279.95
Little Trains of Wales	£219.95
Eastbourne Supersaver	£159.95
Southport, Keswick & Lakes	£159.95
Blackpool Supersaver	£139.95
Chester, Liverpool & Llandudno	£129.95
Torquay & Eden Project	£219.95

5 DAY TOURS Mon 2 Sep

Blackpool Illuminations Supersaver	£159.95
Aberfoyle, Edinburgh & Oban	£219.95
Eastbourne Supersaver	£159.95
Royal Palaces & Gardens	£259.95
Pontins, Bressan Sands	£119.95
Cardiff & Barry Island	£189.95
Southport, Keswick & Lakes	£169.95
Folkestone & Ostend	£159.95
Southport, Morecambe & St Annes	£179.95
Newquay Supersaver	£199.95
Torquay & Eden Project	£199.95

Holy Island & Bamburgh

Britannia Hotel, Woolston	5 DAYS	4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast	£199.95
INCLUDES VISITS TO HOLY ISLAND, SEAHOUSES & BAMBURGH	MONDAYS 23 Sep 7, 21 Oct		

Folkestone & Ostend

Burnst Hotel	4 DAYS	3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast	£129.95
INCLUDES CROSS CHANNEL CRUISE TO OSTEND	FRIDAYS 23 Aug, 13, 20, 27 Sep		
	5 DAYS	4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast	£159.95
	MONDAYS 26 Aug, 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Sep		

Call for brochure 0844 682 0065

Travelstyle
miles more smiles

www.travelstyletours.co.uk

Weekend Breaks from £45

All coach travel & quality overnight dinner, bed & breakfast accommodation

Chester & Liverpool 31 AUG, 14, 28 SEP, 19 OCT	2 days £49.95
Southport & Windermere 8, 22 SEP	2 days £45
Beamish Open Air Museum & Bridlington 31 AUG, 21 SEP	2 days £79.95
Warner Studios Making of Harry Potter 31 AUG, 21 SEP, 19 OCT	2 days £99.95
York Scarborough & Whitby 24 AUG	3 days £89.95

Also available

SCARBOROUGH & HARRGATE 21 Sep - 2 days	LION KING & LONDON ZOO 24 Aug - 2 days	LONGLEAT & SAFARI PARK 24 Aug - 2 days
£55	£139.95	£89.95
BATH & STEAM TRAIN 24 Aug - 2 days	LEGOLAND & LONDON 31 Aug - 2 days	DUBLIN BED & BREAKFAST 18 Oct - 3 days
£69.95	£89.95	£129.95
THE SHARD & LONDON WEST END 7 Sep - 2 days	CHARLIE & THE CHOC FACTORY LONDON 31 Aug DAY TRIP	CARDIFF MURDER MYSTERY 14 Sep - 2 days
£99.95	£75	£69.95

Buckingham Palace & Houses of Parliament

24, 31 Aug, 7, 14 Sep

2 days £99.95

Also Available from £99.95

4/5/7 day coach tours to

- Blackpool • Bournemouth
- Eastbourne • Folkestone • Isle of Wight
- Llandudno • Newquay • Scarborough
- Scotland • Torquay • Weston
- Great Yarmouth etc.

Call for brochure

Property

YOUR WEEKLY GUIDE TO
HOME BUYING AND LETTING



Jackson Lile & Close is handling the sale of this four-bed property in Buckingham Road, Penn, priced at £279,500

Extended detached is handy for city centre

A FOUR-BEDROOMED extended detached house in Penn described as being beautifully presented is for sale with a price tag of £279,500.

The property in Buckingham Road is close to excellent local shops, schools and bus services with Wolverhampton city centre and the university within easy travelling distance.

On the ground floor the front living room, 13ft 8in by 12ft 1in, has a feature polished metal fireplace with gas coal

living flame fire while the rear sitting room measuring 12ft by 11ft 1in has a period style pine fireplace with tiled hearth and double doors to the rear garden.

Borders

There is also a fourth bedroom and a white en suite shower room with cubicle, vanity unit and WC and a dining kitchen – 20ft 1in by 8ft – with white inset sink and mixer tap, range of base, drawer and wall units, work surfaces, space for range cooker, stainless steel canopy extractor, plumbing for dishwasher and washing machine,

integrated fridge/freezer and French doors to the garden.

On the first floor are three bedrooms and a bathroom with white suite of panelled bath with shower and screen and pedestal wash hand basin, with a separate toilet.

There is a front garden with driveway with ample parking space while the rear garden has a raised timber decked area, shaped lawn, borders and fruit trees including apple, pear and plum, plus a metal garden shed and fuel store.

Call Jackson Lile & Close on 01902 712812.

£375k home has impressive fitted kitchen and diner

PRICED at £375,000, this property in Highgate Avenue, Walsall, has an impressive large refitted dining kitchen with double opening doors onto the rear garden.

On the ground floor is a guest WC with wash hand basin

and toilet, with a dining room and a sitting room with French doors to the rear garden and lounge with feature fireplace with inset wood burning stove.

The dining kitchen has a range of wall and base units with roll top work surfaces, separate island incorporating one

and a half sink with drainer and mixer tap, space and plumbing for range cooker, integrated fridge/freezer and dishwasher and utility area space and plumbing for washing machine.

Shower

On the first floor are three bedrooms and a bathroom with white suite of WC, pedestal wash hand basin, roll top bath and separate shower cubicle.

Outside to the front the property is set back from the road behind a large gravelled driveway with ample parking and access to a garage, with to the rear various paved patio areas, shaped lawn, well stocked shrub borders and mature trees.

Call Edwards Moore on 01922 615222 for further details.



The three-bedroom house in Highgate Avenue, Walsall, benefits from a large fitted kitchen

Corner plot for this semi



This semi in Blackwood Avenue, Wednesfield, is for sale

OCCUPYING a prominent corner position, this well presented and improved semi-detached house in Wednesfield is for sale based on offers around £124,995.

The property in Blackwood Avenue benefits from gas central heating, uPVC double glazing, kitchen, refitted shower room, useful utility room, garage and generous side garden.

On the ground floor the lounge/dining room, 20ft 3in by 11ft 5in, has an Adam style fireplace with inset living flame gas fire and French doors to the rear garden while the kitchen – 10ft 1in by 7ft 5in – has a one and a half bowl sink, base and wall units, roll top work surfaces, built in oven, split level hob unit and chimney style extractor over, and there is also a utility room, 11ft by 7ft 5in, with plumbing for washing machine.

On the first floor are two bedrooms and a shower room with cubicle, wash hand basin in vanity unit and WC.

Outside to the rear is a garage with a paved driveway providing extra parking to the front, a side garden with flower, tree and shrub borders and a courtyard style rear garden with flower, tree and shrub borders.

Call Bowater Drennan on 01902 727555 for more details or to view.

Come and talk to our in-branch mortgage specialist. Book an appointment in our Darwall Street branch, Walsall today.

Alternatively, visit us online at postoffice.co.uk/mortgages1

Post Office® Mortgages are provided by Bank of Ireland UK.

POST OFFICE



Your mortgage

Handled with care

YOUR HOME MAY BE REPOSSESSED IF YOU DO NOT KEEP UP REPAYMENTS ON YOUR MORTGAGE

Subject to status and lending criteria, written illustrations are available on request. Borrowers must be 18 or over. Post Office Limited is an appointed representative of Bank of Ireland (UK) plc which is authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority. Bank of Ireland UK is a trading name of Bank of Ireland (UK) plc which is registered in England & Wales (No. 07022885). Registered Office: Bow Bells House, 1 Bread Street, London EC4M 9BE. Post Office Ltd is registered in England and Wales. Registered No. 2154540. The registered Office is 148 Old Street, London EC1V 9HQ. Post Office and the Post Office logo are registered trade marks of Post Office Ltd. 7168130412



TIME FOR SOMETHING NEW...



HELP TO BUY

Pay only 80% of the price of a new home up front and own 100% of it with just 5% deposit required

Visit today to find out more

...time to talk to
REDROW

01922 315799

Traditional 3 and 4 bedroom homes available from £141,596* with Help to Buy



Oakwood Grange – Walsall Road, Great Wyrley, Staffordshire WS11 8JT. Open Daily, 10am – 5.30pm

For the latest availability at Oakwood Grange please visit: redrow.co.uk/oakwood

Your mobile operator may charge data usage for scanning QR codes, please ensure you have the appropriate data plan. Help to Buy is a Government backed initiative in partnership with housebuilders. *Shows price with 20% loan assistance. Available on selected plots, subject to status, terms and conditions. Help to Buy cannot be used in conjunction with any other scheme. It is highly advised, for a swift, smooth transaction that an IFAsolicitor advised by Redrow Homes is used. Offer cannot be used in conjunction with any other Redrow offer. Image typical of Redrow homes. Price correct at time of going to press. YOUR HOME MAY BE REPOSSESSED IF YOU DO NOT KEEP UP REPAYMENTS ON A MORTGAGE OR ANY OTHER DEBT SECURED ON IT. CHECK THAT THIS MORTGAGE WILL MEET YOUR NEEDS IF YOU WANT TO MOVE OR SELL YOUR HOME OR YOU WANT YOUR FAMILY TO INHERIT IT. IF YOU ARE IN ANY DOUBT, SEEK INDEPENDENT ADVICE.

CP BIGWOOD AUCTION

5th September
At Aston Villa
Football Ground

109 Lots To Include Properties On Behalf Of



Lot 1 116 - 118 Dreghorn Road, Castle Bromwich, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 2 34 Canterbury Road, Penn, Wolverhampton Residential Vacant
Lot 3 264 All Saints Road, Wolverhampton Residential Vacant
Lot 4 297 Queslett Road, Great Barr, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 5 Yew Tree Bar, Stoney Lane, Yardley, Birmingham Commercial Vacant
Lot 6 193 Gibbins Road, Selly Oak, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 7 Fairway House, 195 St Bernards Road, Solihull Residential Vacant
Lot 8 24 Market Street, Kettering, Northamptonshire Commercial Investment
Lot 9 Mary Way Cottage, 6 St Marys Lane, Much Wenlock, Shropshire Residential Vacant
Lot 10 The Red Hill Tavern, Coventry Road, Yardley, Birmingham Commercial Vacant
Lot 11 Land at King Charles Avenue, Walsall Land
Lot 12 Land at Wilkes Avenue, Walsall Land
Lot 13 5 Wolverson Road, Snitterfield, Stratford-upon-Avon Residential Vacant
Lot 14 22 Orslow Walk, Wednesfield, Wolverhampton Residential Vacant
Lot 15 65 Hanbury Road, Stoke Prior, Bromsgrove Residential Vacant
Lot 16 67 Hanbury Road, Stoke Prior, Bromsgrove Residential Vacant
Lot 17 32 Penryn Road, Walsall Residential Vacant
Lot 18 12 St Kilda's Road, Salfley, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 18A 6 The Triangle, Bachus Road, Winson Green, Birmingham Residential Investment
Lot 19 36 George Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham Commercial Vacant
Lot 20 The Royal Oak, Bridgend, Carlton, Nr Bedford Commercial Vacant
Lot 21 140 Gracemere Crescent, Hall Green, Birmingham Residential Investment
Lot 22 The Foresters Arms, 3 Wolverson Road, Stoney Stratford, Milton Keynes Commercial Vacant
Lot 23 The Crown Inn, Main Street, Tingewick, Bucks Commercial Vacant
Lot 24 69 Wimperis Way, Great Barr, Birmingham Residential Investment
Lot 25 Land of Former Nursery & Adj. Land off Rowley View / Margaret Road / Holyhead Road, Moxley Land
Lot 26 9 Pinfold Street, Darlaston, West Midlands Commercial Vacant
Lot 27 The Beer Engine, 35 Far Gosford Street, Coventry Commercial Vacant
Lot 28 Saracens Head, Tamworth Road, Corley Ash, Coventry Commercial Vacant
Lot 29 Land at Berkeley Close, Walsall Land
Lot 30 Land at Churchill Road, Walsall Land
Lot 31 The Tavern, 33 Greengate Street, Stafford Commercial Vacant
Lot 32 The Red Lion, Billington Lane, Derrington, Stafford Commercial Vacant
Lot 33 77 Highfield Road, Tipton, West Midlands Residential Vacant
Lot 34 13 Higham Road, Rushden, Northamptonshire Land
Lot 35 2 Dorrington Road, Great Barr, Birmingham Commercial Vacant
Lot 36 Land at Gunthorpe, Nottinghamshire Agricultural Land

Lot 37 56 Tame Road, Witton, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 38 20 Madin Road, Tipton, West Midlands Residential Vacant
Lot 39 The Crown, East End, Houghton Regis, Bedfordshire Commercial Vacant
Lot 40 64 Etruria Vale Road, Stoke on Trent Commercial Vacant
Lot 41 140 Sandon Road, Stafford Residential Vacant
Lot 42 Fox & Hounds, Banbury Road, Charwelton, Daventry Commercial Vacant
Lot 43 17A Delphside, Broseley, Telford Commercial Vacant
Lot 44 49 Rooker Avenue, Wolverhampton Commercial Vacant
Lot 45 197 Lowe Avenue, Darlaston, Much Wenlock, Shropshire Residential Vacant
Lot 46 Dudley Road Service Station, 367 Dudley Road, Birmingham Commercial Vacant
Lot 47 13 Green Road, Dudley Residential Vacant
Lot 48 Various Plots - Luton & Redhill Land
Lot 49 The Phoenix, 45 St Johns Street, Bedford Commercial Vacant
Lot 50 White Lodge, 64 Albert Road, Wolverhampton Residential Vacant
Lot 51 6 Milford Avenue, Balsall Heath, Birmingham Residential Investment
Lot 52 Land at Ashes Road, Tipton, Oldbury Land
Lot 53 28 Middleton Road, Kidderminster Residential Vacant
Lot 54 22 Highgate Square, Birmingham Commercial Vacant
Lot 55 49 Brierley, Beconview Road, West Bromwich Residential Investment
Lot 56 134 Camberley, Beconview Road, West Bromwich Residential Investment
Lot 57 Oxford Villas, 106 Westminster Road, Handsworth, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 58 182 Maryland Avenue, Hodge Hill, Birmingham Commercial Vacant
Lot 59 202 Coleman Street, Whitmore Reans, Wolverhampton Land
Lot 60 8 Nevin Grove, Great Barr, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 61 169 Cole Valley Road, Hall Green, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 62 62 Fowlmere Road, Great Barr, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 63 1 Knowle Road, Sparkbrook, Birmingham Commercial Vacant
Lot 64 162 Tyburn Road, Erdington, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 65 249 Mary Vale Road, Bourneville, Birmingham Commercial Investment
Lot 66 6 Beaconsfield Road, Parkfields, Wolverhampton Residential Vacant
Lot 67 259 Coleshill Heath Road, Marston Green, Birmingham Development / Redevelopment Opportunity
Lot 68 Land at Hospital Lane, Wolverhampton Land
Lot 69 131 Senneleys Park Road, Northfield, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 70 Pelsall Court, Adj. Friar Bridge, Pelsall, Walsall Land
Lot 71 15 Ormsby Court, 9 Richmond Hill Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 72 217 Sandwell Road, Handsworth, Birmingham Commercial Vacant
Lot 73 177 Church Hill Road, Handsworth, Birmingham Commercial Vacant

Lot 74 36 Port Street, Evesham, Worcestershire Commercial Investment
Lot 75 405 Chester Road, Wyde Green, Sutton Coldfield Residential Vacant
Lot 76 61 Mason Road, Erdington, Birmingham Commercial Vacant
Lot 77 164 Hawthorn Road, Kingstanding, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 78 Flat 8 Queenswood House, Brandwood Road, Kings Heath, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 79 The Kings Head Inn, 15 Mill Street, Brierley Hill Commercial Investment
Lot 80 33 Kenelm Road, Small Heath, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 81 St Andrews Church, Darlaston Road, Wednesbury Commercial Vacant
Lot 82 652 Pershore Road, Selly Park, Birmingham Residential Investment
Lot 83 19 Hereward Rise, Halesowen, West Midlands Commercial Investment
Lot 84 Units 5, 6 & 7 Cheston Industrial Estate, Cheston Road Nechells, Birmingham Commercial Vacant
Lot 85 3 Birmingham Street, Dudley Commercial Vacant / Development / Redevelopment Opportunity
Lot 86 7 Tranwell Close, Pendeford, Wolverhampton Residential Vacant
Lot 87 310 Tessall Lane, Northfield, Birmingham Commercial Investment
Lot 88 89 Holly Lane, Smethwick, West Midlands Residential Vacant
Lot 89 207 Aldershaw Road, Yardley, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 90 478 Kingsbury Road, Erdington, Birmingham Residential Investment
Lot 91 29 Belle Walk, Moseley, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 92 43 Parkfield Road, Wolverhampton Residential Vacant
Lot 93 40 Rivendell Court, 1051 Stratford Road, Hall Green, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 94 Ariba, 98A Robert Street, Dudley Residential Vacant
Lot 95 15 Endwood Court, Handsworth Wood Road, Handsworth Wood Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 96 28 Cross Street, Willenhall Commercial Vacant
Lot 97 14A, B, C & D Upper Lichfield Street, Willenhall Residential Investment
Lot 98 Land R/O 36 - 38 Market Street, Hensford Land
Lot 99 71 York Crescent, Wollaton, Stourbridge Residential Vacant
Lot 100 33 Marsh Lane, West Bromwich Residential Vacant
Lot 101 27 Phillip Road, Tipton, West Midlands Residential Vacant
Lot 102 150 Taylor Road, Kings Heath, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 103 94 Merrivale Road, Smethwick, West Midlands Ground Rent
Lot 104 22 Malcolm Court, Lower Vauxhall Street, Wolverhampton Residential Vacant
Lot 105 44 Gracemere Crescent, Hall Green, Birmingham Residential Vacant
Lot 106 27 Larches Lane, Wolverhampton Residential Vacant
Lot 107 49A Ward Street, Ettingshall, Wolverhampton Residential Vacant
Lot 108 50 Willes Road, Winson Green, Birmingham Residential Vacant



twitter.com/CPBigwood

0121 233 5046

www.cpbigwood.com

Entries Now Invited
For Our Next Auction



**7 Queens Parade
Bloxwich
Walsall
WS3 2EX
01922 711444**



**Bloxwich
Stafford Road**
● Extended Five Bedroom Detached
● Two Reception Rooms ● Kitchen
● Laundry Room ● Shower Room
● Annex with Kitchen, Lounge/Dining Room

£439,950



**Walsall
Cameron Road**
● Three Bedroom Detached Bungalow
● Large Open Plan Living Area
● Kitchen
● Shower Room
● Front Garden

In the Region of £279,950



**Bloxwich
Woodall Street**
● *** 5% Deposit Paid ***
● Four Bedroom Detached
● Through Lounge/Dining Room
● Fitted Kitchen ● Guest Cloakroom W.C.
● Garage & Off Road Parking ● Gardens

In the Region of £199,950



**Bloxwich
Baslow Close**
● Two Bedroom Detached Bungalow
● Lounge
● Large Kitchen/Dining Room
● Family Bathroom
● Separate W.C.

In the Region of £189,500



**Bloxwich
Wolverhampton Road**
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
● Re-Furnished ● 3 Reception Rooms
● Fitted Kitchen ● Utility ● Guest W.C.
● Master Bed with En-Suite Shower Room
● Family Bathroom ● Front & Rear Gardens

In the Region of £175,000



**Willenhall
Crab Lane**
● Three Bedroom Link-Detached
● Through Lounge/Dining Room
● Fitted Kitchen ● Front & Rear Gardens
● Shower Room ● Driveway with Garage
● Double Glazing & Central Heating

£164,950



**Bloxwich
Millfield Avenue**
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
● Two Reception Rooms
● Kitchen
● Ground Floor Wet Room
● Bathroom
● Gardens
● Parking & Garage
● Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating

In the Region of £164,950



**Willenhall
Longwood Rise**
● Four Bedroom Semi-Detached
● Lounge ● Kitchen/Diner
● Family Bathroom ● Gardens
● D.Glazing & Gas Central Heating
● Driveway & Off Road Parking ● Garage

£159,950



**Bloxwich
Wolverhampton Road**
● Four Bedroom Detached
● Large Lounge ● Breakfast Kitchen
● Dining Room ● Rear Lobby/Utility
● Family Bathroom with Walk-In Shower
● Gardens ● Integral Garage & Driveway

Offers in excess of £155,000



**Bloxwich
Astbury Close**
● Three Bed End Terrace
● Two Reception Rooms
● Large Lounge ● Extended Kitchen/Diner
● Study ● Family Bathroom ● Conservatory
● En-Suite ● Gardens ● Off Road Parking

£154,950



**Willenhall
Patterson Close**
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
● Lounge ● Fitted Kitchen
● En-Suite ● Family Bathroom
● Front & Rear Gardens ● Parking
● Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating

In the Region of £149,950



**Walsall
New Forest Road**
● Three Bedroom Detached
● Lounge
● Open Plan Kitchen/Diner
● Conservatory
● Family Bathroom
● En-Suite Shower Room
● Off Road Parking
● Garage with Utility
● Enclosed Rear Garden

Offers in excess of £147,500



**Willenhall
John Riley Drive**
● Three Bedroom Detached
● Lounge ● Family Bathroom
● Fitted Kitchen
● D.Glazing & Gas Heating ● Driveway
● Integral Garage ● Front & Rear Gardens

In the Region of £138,995



**Walsall
Smiths Flour Mill**
● Two Bedroom Apartment
● Lounge ● Integrated Kitchen
● Electric Heating & Double Glazing
● Family Bathroom
● Allocated Parking

Offers in excess of £125,000



**Bloxwich
Coalmeadow Close**
● Two Bedroom End-Terrace
● Lounge ● Newly Fitted Breakfast Kitchen
● Newly Fitted Family Bathroom
● Conservatory ● Front & Rear Gardens
● Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating

In the Region of £122,950



**Walsall
Wolverhampton Street**
● Two Bedroom First Floor Apartment
● Open Living Area ● Family Bathroom
● Kitchen with Integrated Appliances
● Double Glazing & Electric Heating
● Secure Allocated Parking

Offers in excess of £120,000



**Walsall
Alumwell Road**
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
● Corner Plot with Off Road Parking
● Lounge ● Kitchen ● Guest W.C.
● Family Bathroom with Shower
● Front, Rear and Side Garden ● Garage

In the Region of £119,950



**Bloxwich
Blakenall Lane**
● Extended Three Bedroom Mid-Terrace
● Porch ● Through Lounge/Dining Room
● Fitted Kitchen ● Shower Room
● Utility ● Family Bathroom
● Rear Garden ● Gated Off Road Parking

In the Region of £115,000



**Willenhall
Lichfield Road**
● Two Bedroom End-Terrace
● Fitted Kitchen ● Family Bathroom
● Lounge/Dining Room
● Rear Garden ● Off Road Parking
● Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating

In the Region of £114,995



**Walsall
Bloxwich Road**
● Three Bedroom Traditional Semi
● Double Glazing
● Gas Central Heating
● Two Reception Rooms
● Kitchen & Veranda
● Family Bathroom
● Extensive Rear Garden
● No Upward Chain

Offers in excess of £110,000



**Bloxwich
Mulberry Place**
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
● Porch ● Two Reception Rooms
● Family Bathroom ● Front & Rear Gardens
● Gas Heating & Double Glazing (Where Specified)

In the Region of £109,950



**Bloxwich
Beeches Road**
● Two Bedroom Semi-Detached
● Refurbished Lounge ● Kitchen/Dining Room
● Conservatory ● Family Bathroom
● Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating
● Off Road Parking with Access to Rear

In the Region of £104,950



**Willenhall
Lodge Street**
● Extended Three Bedroom Mid-Terrace
● Lounge
● Re-Fitted Breakfast Kitchen
● Dining Room
● Extended Ground Floor Bathroom

In the Region of £99,950



**Walsall
Queen Elizabeth Avenue**
● Three Bedroom Duplex Flat
● Two Reception Rooms
● Fitted Kitchen ● Shower Room
● Separate W.C. ● Utility/Rear Lobby
● Roof Terrace ● Off Road Parking

In the Region of £98,500



**Walsall
Star Close**
● Three Bedroom End-Terrace
● Lounge ● Kitchen/Dining Room
● Guest W.C. ● Bathroom with Shower
● Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating
● Front Garden ● Enclosed Rear Garden

In the Region of £95,000



**Walsall
Dartmouth Close**
● Three Bedroom Mid-Terrace
● Lounge ● Dining Room ● Kitchen
● Verandah/Utility ● Family Bathroom
● Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating
● Front & Rear Gardens ● Rear Access to

In the Region of £94,950



**Bloxwich
Broad Lane**
● Two Bedroom End-Terrace
● Porch ● Two Reception Rooms
● Kitchen ● Ground Floor Bathroom
● Loft Room ● Large Rear Garden
● Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating

Offers in excess of £90,000



**Willenhall
Taverners Close**
● One Bedroom House
● Fitted Kitchen ● Lounge
● Dining/Sun Room ● Bathroom with Shower
● Enclosed Rear Garden

In the Region of £87,950



**Walsall
Bloxwich Lane**
● Extended Three Bedroom Mid-Terrace
● Lounge ● Large Dining Room
● Extended Kitchen ● Family Bathroom
● Front & Rear Gardens
● Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating

Offers in excess of £85,000



**Bloxwich
Newhome Way**
● Two Bedroom Ground Floor Apartment
● Open Plan Lounge/Dining Room
● Family Bathroom with Shower
● Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating
● Secure Communal Entrance ● Communal

Offers in excess of £80,000



**Bloxwich
Cook Road**
● CASH BUYERS ONLY
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
● Open Plan Lounge/Dining Room
● Bathroom ● Separate W.C.
● Garage ● D.Glazing & Central Heating

In the Region of £80,000



**Bloxwich
Sherlock Close**
● One Bedroom First Floor Apartment
● Open Plan Lounge/Kitchen
● Bathroom with Shower
● Double Glazing & Electric Heating
● Shared Communal Gardens
● Shared Garage ● Off Road Parking

In the Region of £69,950



**Rushall
Friary Crescent**
● One Bedroom First Floor Apartment
● Fitted Kitchen ● Lounge ● Bathroom
● Double Glazing ● Gas Central Heating
● Shared Communal Gardens
● Sorry No DHSS, Pets or Smokers

In the Region of £59,950

View properties online www.goodchilds-uk.com

Call for your **Free Valuation**

Offices located in:

• Brownhills
• Cannock
• Great Barr

• Lichfield
• Milton Keynes
• Stafford
• Sutton Coldfield
• Tamworth

• Telford
• Walsall
• Wednesbury
• Wednesfield
• Wolverhampton

Sales & Lettings
Willenhall 01902 690331

DIXONS

Estate Agents

Doing**More...**

Hough Way, Essington



EPC C



£350,000

A five bedroom detached property with garden and garage. Freehold.

Blockall, Wednesbury



NEW

Awaiting EPC



£350,000

A substantial five bedroom detached home situated on an exceptional plot with a heated outdoor swimming pool.

Riverbank Road, Willenhall



EPC C

£230,000

A four bedroom home with lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility room, family bathroom, rear garden and garage.

Wood Lane, Willenhall



EPC D

Offers Over £200,000

An individually designed, extended three double bedroom detached home with detached garage. A viewing is essential.

Lochalsh Grove, Willenhall



EPC D

£200,000

A well presented four bedroom detached home situated in a cul-de-sac location on the popular Coppice Farm development.

Taryn Drive, Darlaston



Awaiting EPC

£190,000

An immaculately presented four bedroom detached home with en-suite to master bedroom.

Ampleforth Drive, Willenhall



Awaiting EPC

£170,000

A well presented three bedroom detached home on a popular development with easy access to Black Country Route and M6.

Glaisdale Grove, Willenhall



EPC D

Offers Over £160,000

A four bedroom detached house situated on the Kingfisher development. Presented in immaculate order and benefitting from a stunning loft room.

Redwood Way, Willenhall



EPC D

£140,000

Briefly comprising two bedrooms, garage, conservatory, white kitchen, newly fitted white bathroom and ample parking.

Short Street, Willenhall



EPC D

£140,000

An immaculately presented three bedroom detached home situated in Short Heath.

Perth Road, Willenhall



EPC D

£135,000

A three bedroom semi detached dormer bungalow situated on the sought after "Summer Hayes" development in a cul-de-sac location.

Kington Close, Willenhall



EPC D

Offers Over £120,000

A well presented two bedroom semi detached house situated on the popular "Coppice Farm" development in a cul-de-sac location with field views.

Morris Avenue, Walsall



Awaiting EPC

£120,000

A well presented three bedroom semi detached home situated on a popular road in Bentley and benefitting from spacious kitchen with separate utility.

Everest Road, Walsall



Awaiting EPC

£110,000

A well presented three bedroom semi detached home situated on a rarely available road in Bentley.

L & S PRESTIGE ESTATES

46 High Road, Lane Head, Willenhall, WV12 4JQ



FOR SALE WREXHAM AVENUE, BENTLEY Well Presented Semi-Detached Property Comprising Of Entrance Porch, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Shower Room, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Detached Garage, Brick Storage Outbuilding, Front & Rear Gardens, Cul-De-Sac Location. £99,995	FOR SALE GRENVILLE CLOSE, BENTLEY Well Presented First Floor Flat Comprising Of Entrance Hall, Stairs To First Floor, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Double Bedroom, Bathroom, Electric Heating, D/Glazing, Garage In A Separate Block. Great Buy To Let Investment. £54,995	FOR SALE PINFOLD ST, DARLASTON One Bed Ground Floor Flat Having Entrance Porch, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Double Bedroom, Fitted Bathroom With Walk In Shower/Bath, C/Heating, D/Glazing & Off Road Parking. £59,995	FOR SALE WENTBRIDGE ROAD, W'TON One Bed Ground Floor Flat Having Entrance Hallway, Fitted Kitchen, Lounge, Double Bedroom, Family Bathroom, Two Large Storage Areas, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Outside Brick Store, Rear Garden. £64,995	FOR SALE BLOXWICH RD SOUTH, WILLENHALL Well Presented Two Bedroom End Town House, Having Porch, Entrance Hall, Fitted Kitchen, Lounge, Conservatory, Family Bathroom, Double Glazing And Electric Storage Heaters. IDEAL FTB Or BTL. £74,995	FOR SALE REGENT ST, WILLENHALL Well Presented Two Bed End Terrace Property Having Two Reception Rooms, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Separate Utility, Two Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Cul-De-Sac Location. IDEAL FIRST TIME BUY. £82,000	FOR SALE DEVON RD, WILLENHALL Immaculately Presented Spacious Two Bed Ground Floor Flat Having Entrance Hall, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, UPVC D/Glazing, C/Heating, Rear Garden & Secure Parking. £84,995	
FOR SALE COLTHAM RD, SHORT HEATH Fully Refurbished Two Bed Mid Terrace Property Having Lounge, Spacious Fitted Kitchen, Separate Utility, Ground Floor W.C., Two Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, UPVC D/Glazing & Gas C/Heating. GREAT FTB. £89,995	FOR SALE SQUIRES GROVE, NEW INVENTION Two Bed Modern First Floor Apartment Having Communal Entrance Hall, Private Hallway, Spacious Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Master With En-Suite, Family Bathroom, Electric Heating, UPVC Double Glazing And Allocated Parking. £89,995	FOR SALE CONSORT DRIVE, DARLASTON Two Bedroom Mid Town House Comprising Of Spacious Lounge, Breakfast Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating And Enclosed Rear Garden. Great First Time Buy! £92,500	FOR SALE DIBBLE CLOSE, WILLENHALL Well Presented Three Bed Mid Town House Having Entrance Hall, Lounge, Modern Kitchen Diner, Family Bathroom, Separate W.C., C/Heating, D/Glazing, Parking To The Rear. Ideal FTB Or Buy To Let. £94,500	FOR SALE DIBBLE CLOSE, WILLENHALL Well Presented Three Bedroom Mid Town House Comprising Of Entrance Hall, Spacious Kitchen, Lounge, Conservatory, Three Bedrooms, Generous Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating And Enclosed Rear Garden. £95,000	FOR SALE BLOXWICH RD, LEAMORE Spacious Two Bed Semi Detached Having Two Reception Rooms, Fitted Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms With Fitted Wardrobes, Family Bathroom With Separate Shower, D/Glazing, C/Heating & Off Road Parking. £99,995	FOR SALE LEVEN DR, COPPICE FARM Well Presented Mid Town House Located On The Popular Coppice Farm Estate Having Lounge, Fitted Kitchen With Integrated Oven & Hob, Two Double Bedrooms, Two With Wardrobes, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating & Off Road Parking. £109,995	FOR SALE PINFOLD ST EXTENSION, DARLASTON Victorian Two Bed Semi Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Refitted Kitchen/Diner, Ground Floor W.C., Two Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Tandem Garage & Generous Rear Garden. £109,995
FOR SALE BENTLEY LANE, WILLENHALL Modern Refurbished Three Bed Semi Having Lounge, Stylish Fitted Kitchen, Conservatory, Three Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, UPVC D/Glazing, C/Heating And Landscaped Garden. MUST VIEW. £122,500	FOR SALE OAK ROAD, WILLENHALL Well Presented Three Bed Traditional Semi Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen Diner/Sitting Room, Family Bathroom, Part Double Glazing, Central Heating, Garage And Off Road Parking. Sought After Location. NO CHAIN. £124,995	FOR SALE HIGH ROAD, WILLENHALL Well Presented Characterful Detached Property Comprising Of Entrance Porch, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Separate Utility, Three Good Sized Bedrooms, Bathroom, Cellar, D/Glazing, C/Heating & Off Road Parking. MUST VIEW. £124,995	FOR SALE SQUIRES GROVE, NEW INVENTION Modern Three Bed Town House On The Much Sought After Squires Grove Development In New Invention Having Spacious Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, Ground Floor W.C., Master With En-Suite, Fitted Wardrobes, Family Bathroom, UPVC D/Glazing, C/Heating, Enclosed Rear Garden & Driveway. £129,995	FOR SALE JOHNSON ROAD, DARLASTON Well Presented Extended Three Bed End Town House Comprising Of Entrance Porch, Inner Hallway, Fitted Kitchen, Spacious Extended Lounge, Three Generous Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Good Sized Front And Rear Gardens With Off Road Parking. £132,995	FOR SALE WILLENHALL STREET, DARLASTON Well Presented Four Bedroom Extended Semi, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen/Diner, Conservatory, Utility Area, W.C., Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Block Paved Driveway, Garage. £134,995	FOR SALE WILLENHALL ROAD, WOLVERHAMPTON Well Presented, Modern, Three Storey Town House Having Entrance Hallway, Ground Floor W.C., Family Lounge, Spacious Kitchen Diner, Three Double Bedrooms, Two With En-Suite, D/Glazing, C/Heating Off Road Parking, Enclosed Rear. £134,995	FOR SALE DARVEL RD, WILLENHALL Immaculately Presented Three Bed Link Detached Having Entrance Porch, Hallway, Two Reception Rooms, Stylish Fitted Kitchen, Conservatory, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Tandem Garage, Carport, Driveway & Landscaped Gardens. Must View To Appreciate. £149,995
SELL YOUR PROPERTY FOR £1495 up to the sale price of £200,000 1% thereafter ✓ FREE property valuation ✓ FREE newspaper advertising ✓ FREE online advertising ✓ FREE for sale board ✓ FREE prominent shop front advertising ✓ Colour sales particulars ✓ Full management of sales process with single point of contact with the above fee ✓ All viewings accompanied rightmove FindaProperty.com Zoopla.co.uk CALL NOW: 01902 606 595 www.prestige-estatesuk.com email: info@prestige-estatesuk.com 46 High Road • Lane Head • Willenhall WV12 4JQ		FOR SALE MANOR FARM DRIVE, WILLENHALL Extended Four Bed Semi Having Entrance Porch, Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Separate Utility, Ground Floor W.C., Master With En-Suite, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Integral Garage, Enclosed Rear Garden. Accessed Via A Private Driveway. £159,995	FOR SALE ABERFORD CLOSE, WILLENHALL Five Bed Semi Detached Having Lounge, Spacious Kitchen, Dining Room, Family Bathroom, Separate Shower Room, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Integral Garage, Front & Rear Gardens. Cul-De-Sac Location. £174,995	FOR SALE ESSINGTON RD, ESSINGTON Deceptively Spacious, Extended Four Bedroom, Three Storey End Terrace Property Having Entrance Porch, Hallway, Lounge, Groundfloor W.C., Extended Breakfast Kitchen/Diner, Separate Utility, Master With Fitted Wardrobes & Shower, Family Bathroom With Separate Shower, Study, UPVC D/Glazing, C/Heating, Garage & Driveway. MUST VIEW. £189,995	FOR SALE FIBBERSLEY, WILLENHALL Heavily Extended Three/Four Bed Semi Having Two Reception Rooms, Spacious Kitchen/Diner, Separate Utility, Ground Floor W.C., Master Bedroom With Separate Dressing Room/Bed, Luxury Bathroom With Jacuzzi Bath & Separate Shower, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Detached Garages, Driveway. £229,995	FOR SALE WOOD LANE CL, W-HALL Superb Three Bedroom Detached Dorman Bungalow Comprising Of Spacious Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, Conservatory, Ground Floor Shower Room, Family Bathroom With Jacuzzi Bath C/Heating, D/Glazing, Rear Garden, Garage & Driveway. £249,995	
TO LET SHEPHERD DR, WILLENHALL Well Presented Two Bed Mid-Terrace Property Comprising Of Entrance Hall, Through Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Enclosed Side Entrance Hallway, Two Double Bedrooms, Modern Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating And Enclosed Rear Garden. £500 PCM	TO LET PERCH ROAD, WALSALL Modern Two Bedroom Semi-Detached Property Comprising Of Entrance Hall, Lounge Diner, Kitchen, Modern Bathroom, Two Spacious Bedrooms, Enclosed Rear Garden And Off Road Parking. Fully D/Glazed And C/Heated. Must View! £525 PCM	TO LET WINGATE ROAD, BENTLEY Well Presented Three Bed Semi With Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Covered Side Out Buildings With Ground Floor W.C., Plumbing For Washing Machine, Store Room, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, C/H, Front & Rear Gardens. £550 PCM	TO LET BILSTON LANE, WILLENHALL Well Presented And Spacious Four Bed Detached Property With Entrance Hall, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Ground Floor W.C., Integral Garage, Four Generous Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Off Road Parking, Generous Rear Garden. £650 PCM	TO LET SHERLOCK CLOSE, WILLENHALL Impressive Four Bed Detached Having Entrance Hall, Lounge, Extended Family Room, Fitted Kitchen, Ground Floor W.C., En-Suite Master Bedroom, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Integral Garage, Large Block Paved Driveway, Rear Garden - Must View £800 PCM			
SOLD SIMILAR PROPERTIES REQUIRED LICHFIELD RD, W'HALL Two Bed Mid Terrace Property In Need Of Some Upgrading. The Property Briefly Comprises Of Two Reception Rooms, Fitted Kitchen, Ground Floor Bathroom, Two Double Bedrooms C/Heating, Walled Garden To The Fore And A Lawned Garden To The Rear. Great First Time Buy Or Buy To Let. £74,995	SOLD SIMILAR PROPERTIES REQUIRED VICTORY AVE, DARLASTON Three Bed Semi Detached Having Reception Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Groundfloor W.C., Three Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing And Enclosed Rear Garden. £84,995	SOLD SIMILAR PROPERTIES REQUIRED UPLANDS ROAD, WILLENHALL Well Presented And Deceptively Spacious Two Bed Extended Detached Bungalow With Entrance Porch, Inner Hallway, Spacious Lounge, D/Room, Extended Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom And Sunroom, D/Glazing And C/Heating, Off Road Parking, Detached Garage At The Rear. £119,995	SOLD SIMILAR PROPERTIES REQUIRED ANDREW DRIVE, SHORT HEATH Well Presented Two Bed Semi Detached Bungalow Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Family Bathroom, Fitted Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Detached Garage And Tarmac Driveway. £124,995	SOLD SIMILAR PROPERTIES REQUIRED SWEET BRIAR LANE, WILLENHALL Well Presented Three Bed Semi Detached Bungalow Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Spacious Kitchen Diner, Conservatory, Three Bedrooms, Fitted Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Detached Garage And Driveway. £134,995			

Willenhall 01902 606595

www.prestige-estatesuk.com



Willenhall SKITTS ESTATE AGENTS

01902 631151
willenhall@skitts.net

SHOW HOME OPEN WEEKEND



**SHORT HEATH
POOLES LANE**

SHOW HOME OPEN ON SAT 17th & SUN 18th AUGUST 11-3 PM
1/3 of the site is now SOLD SUBJECT TO CONTRACT!!

- Brand New Detached Residence • Lounge/dining room, Breakfast kitchen
- Four Good Size Bedrooms • Bathroom & En-suite • Energy TBC
- Gas Central Heating, Double glazing • Garage, Drive • Rear Gardens

Prices From £199,950

NEW INSTRUCTION



**THE MANOR
JAMES STREET**

- Superb Detached Property • Prime Location • No Upward Chain
- 4 Bedrooms • Bathroom • En-Suite Shower Room
- Lounge • Impressive Dining Kitchen
- Garage & Driveway • Energy rating TBC
- Gas CH • Double Glazing

£184,995

FEATURED PROPERTY



**COPPICE FARM
COPPICE FARM WAY**

- Exceptional Semi Detached Residence • No Chain
- Five Reception Rooms • Kitchen & Utility
- Five Bedrooms • Re-Fitted En-Suite • Re-Fitted Bathroom
- Driveway & Rear Gardens
- Gas Central Heating • Double Glazing • Energy Rating 'D'

NOW £233,000

FREE MARKET APPRAISALS - Call us now on 01902 631151

NEW

**THE MANOR, WILLENHALL
THOMPSON STREET**

- Magnificent Victorian detached residence in prestigious location
- Six superb bedrooms • Drawing room, sitting room & dining room
- Reception hall, breakfast kitchen & utility • Ground floor shower room
- Upstairs bathroom • Delightful rear garden • Part double glazing
- Part gas central heating • Energy Rating 'E' • No chain

£275,000

NEW

**WILLENHALL
BIRCH COPPICE GARDENS**

- Three Bedrooms Semi Detached Property in Cal De Sac Location
- Three Bedrooms • Gas C/H/Heating • UPVC D/Glazing • Spacious Lounge
- Generous Plot with Rear & Side Gardens • Downstairs WC
- UPVC Double Glazed Conservatory & Laundry Room • Garage & Parking
- Established Rear Garden with Garden Pond • EPC Rating 'E'

£139,950

NEW

**PORTOBELLO
WAITE ROAD**

- Extended Improved Traditional Detached
- Three Bedrooms • Re-Fitted Kitchen
- Lounge • Dining Room • Breakfast Kitchen
- Gas CH • Double Glazing • Driveway
- Pleasant Rear Gardens • Energy Rating TBC

£146,000

NEW

**WILLENHALL
ASHMORE LAKE ROAD**

- Traditional Bay Fronted Detached Property • No Chain
- Lounge & Dining Room • Kitchen • Energy TBC
- Three Bedrooms • Bathroom
- Large Rear Garden • Driveway

£130,000

NEW

**WILLENHALL
LINCOLN AVENUE**

- Traditional Semi Detached Property • Popular Location
- Lounge • Conservatory • Energy TBC
- Open Plan Dining Room / Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms • En-Suite Shower Room • Bathroom
- Driveway • Rear Gardens • Double Glazing • Gas CH

£129,950

**SHORT HEATH
POOLES LANE**

- Well Appointed Individual Detached Residence
- Hall with WC, Large Lounge with Dining Area • Re-Fitted Kitchen
- Three Double Bedrooms • Superb Luxury Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing • Garage
- Delightful rear garden • Driveway
- Delightful Extensive Rear Gardens • ENERGY RATING 'D'

£181,500

**SHORT HEATH
HUNTS LANE**

- Superb detached property
- 3 bedrooms • Energy C
- Spacious lounge • Dining kitchen
- Luxury Bathroom • Shower Room
- Double Glazing • Kitchen
- Double Glazing, Gas C/Heating • Driveway, Garden

£169,950

**COPPICE FARM
SANDALWOOD CLOSE**

- Superb 3 Bedroom Extended Semi Detached • ENERGY 'E'
- 3 bedrooms • Re-Fitted Dining Kitchen
- Lounge & Re-Fitted Kitchen
- Re-Fitted Bathroom
- Gas CH, Double Glazing
- Garage & Driveway • Gardens

£159,950

NO CHAIN

**BENTLEY
SILVERSTONE CLOSE**

- Detached Property in Cal De Sac Location • No Upward Chain
- Four Bedrooms • Bathrooms • Energy Rating 'D'
- Three Reception Rooms • Fitted Kitchen
- Gas Central Heating • Double Glazing
- Garage • Driveway • Rear Garden

£159,950

NO CHAIN

**WILLENHALL
ROSEHILL**

- Large Period 4 Bedroom End Terrace • No Chain • Gas CH
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Breakfast Room & Kitchen
- ENERGY RATING 'D'
- Bathroom and Separate WC • Side Gardens

£140,000

**WILLENHALL
PRINCETHORPE ROAD**

- Modern style and town house
- Two bedrooms
- Lounge • Dining Kitchen
- Gas central heating • Double glazing
- Good size rear garden • Driveway to the fore • Energy 'C'

OFFERS OVER £120,000

**WILLENHALL
YALE ROAD**

- Well presented modern mid town house property in cal-de-sac location
- Two double bedrooms • Lounge with dining area • Fitted kitchen
- WC/utility • Bathroom • ENERGY RATING 'C'
- Pleasant rear garden • Driveway
- Gas central heating • Double glazing • No chain

OFFERS ABOVE £115,000

**WILLENHALL
SHERLOCK CLOSE**

- Pleasant and town house
- 2 bedrooms
- Gas C/heating • UPVC d/glazed windows
- Conservatory • Fitted kitchen
- Rear lounge • Guest WC • Rear garden • Energy Rating 'D'

£113,000 OFFERS

**WILLENHALL
ASTON ROAD**

- Impressive Mid 3 Bedrooms Property
- Energy rating 'D' • Lounge • Re-Fitted Kitchen
- Utility / WC • Bathroom
- Conservatory • Fitted kitchen
- Gas CH • Double Glazing • Driveway
- Large Rear Gardens

£112,500

**DARLASTON
ST GEORGE'S CLOSE**

- Well Presented & Improved Mid Town House
- Hall with WC • Large Lounge • Spacious Dining Kitchen
- Three Good Size Bedrooms • Bathroom
- Double Glazing • Part Gas Central Heating
- Gas CH • Double Glazing • Energy rating 'D'
- Car Port • Rear Gardens • Energy Rating 'D'

OFFERS OVER £110,000

**WILLENHALL
ALBION ROAD**

- Spacious Period Mid Terrace Property • Convenient Location
- Lounge • Dining Room • Large Impressive Dining Kitchen
- Two Bedrooms • Large Re-Fitted Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating
- Rear Gardens • Energy Rating 'D'

£92,500

REDUCED

**WILLENHALL
RUSSEL STREET**

- Superb Second Flr Apartment
- Lounge with Dining Area
- Fitted Kitchen • Energy C
- Two Excellent Bedrooms • Loft
- Two Parking Spaces • No Chain • Gas CH • Double Glaz

£87,000

NO CHAIN

**ESSINGTON
SWYNNERTON DRIVE**

- Modern style extended Semi Detached Property with No Upward Chain
- Popular village location
- Lounge • Fitted Kitchen • Three Bedrooms • Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating • Double glazing • Energy Rating TBC
- Garage • Driveway • Rear Gardens

£174,950

**NEW INVENTION
MOXHULL CLOSE**

- Well presented and terraced property
- Three bedrooms
- Lounge • Spacious dining kitchen
- Gas CH • Double glaz
- Bathroom • Rear garden • Energy Rating 'D'

£114,950

**WILLENHALL
CLARKES LANE**

- Well Appointed Spacious First Floor Flat • Two Double Bedrooms
- Hall with Utility • Lounge • Refitted Kitchen
- Refitted Bathroom • Double Glazing
- Gas CH • Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating • Communal Gardens
- Viewing Recommended • Energy Rating 'C'

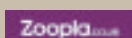
£79,950

BE PART OF OUR SUCCESS STORY

**ALREADY IN 2013 SKITTS
WILLENHALL HAVE AGREED
84 SALES**

**CALL US TODAY FOR A FREE
MARKET APPRAISAL ON
01902 631151**

Branches also at:
Bloxwich, Wednesfield, Wednesbury,
Bilston, Great Bridge and Sedgley



M.S.G.T. MOTORS**CAR SALES**
Specialist in Low Mileage Vehicles

83 LEAMORE LANE BLOXWICH WALSALL WS2 7BU

T: 01922 473 308 M: 07855 735824

	06 Reg RENAULT MEGANE 1.6 Diesel Cabriolet New Shape, Panoramic Roof, Gold £4495		56 RENAULT GRAND SCENIC NEW SHAPE 1.6 EXPRESSION 7 Seater, Metallic Black, Very Low Mileage, FSH £4495
	07 RENAULT SCENIC DYNAMIQUE 1.6 Gold, FSH £3495		56 CITROEN PICASSO XSARA DESIRE 1.6 HDI Silver, Air Condition £3995

56 RENAULT GRAND SCENIC NEW SHAPE 1.6 EXPRESSION 7 Seater, Metallic Black, Very Low Mileage, FSH.....	£4495	05 PEUGEOT 307 1.4 ZEST 5-door, Black, alloys, very low mileage.....	£2695
06 RENAULT MEGANE 1.6 Diesel Cabriolet New Shape, Panoramic Roof, Gold.....	£4495	04 FORD FUSION 2.1.4 PETROL in Silver, Full MOT, Taxed till April 2013. Lovely car. Low Mileage. 5-door, FSH.....	£2695
07 VAUXHALL ASTRA SXI 5-door, Light Blue Metallic, Tax & MOT.....	£3995	03 TOYOTA CELICA Silver, Guaranteed Mileage, Alloys, MOT and Tax, Nice Car.....	£2595
06 VAUXHALL ASTRA 1.6 TWINPORT Silver, 725,000 miles, Alloys, Mint Condition, FSH.....	£3995	05 SUZUKI WAGON R+ WT 1.3 Petrol, in Silver, Lovely Car.....	£2395
59/09 KIA PICANTO 1.0 5-door, Blue, 1 owner from new, FSH, 30 road tax per annum.....	£3495	55 CHEVROLET LACETTI SE 1.4 P, 5-door, Silver.....	£1995
07 RENAULT SCENIC DYNAMIQUE 1.6 Gold, FSH.....	£3495	54 KIA CERATO 1.6 Blue Metallic, Alloys.....	£1995
05 NISSAN MICRA 1.4 5-door, Full MOT.....	£2995	04 DAEWOO LACETTI SX (New Model) 1.6 Blue Metallic, 1 owner, very low mileage.....	£1995
56 RENAULT SCENIC DYNAMIQUE S 1.6 16v Silver, leather interior.....	£2995	04 FORD KA Red, Lovely Car, Drive Away.....	£1795
07 CHEVROLET TACUMA SX 4-Door, Low Mileage, Nice Car.....	£2995	53 FIAT PUNTO 1.2 2-door, Full MOT and Tax.....	£1795
05 RENAULT MEGANE 1.4 16v Silver, Cheap Tax, Alloys.....	£2695	52 PEUGEOT 206 1.4 3-door, Metallic Blue, 2 lady owners, low miles, Full MOT.....	£1700
		04 FIAT STILO 1.2 p, 5-door, Green, Alloys.....	£1395
		52 ROVER 45 1.6 Light Blue.....	£1295
		03 RENAULT CLIO 1.2 3-door, 12 month's MOT, 4 month's road tax.....	£995

STOCK CHANGING DAILY RING FOR DETAILS. OPEN 7 DAYS. PART EXCHANGES WELCOME


To advertise in the motoring section of your local Chronicle please telephone Jane on 01543 465331

Motoring**Mercedes AMG much more than a hot hatch on steroids**

The Mercedes Benz A 45 AMG races to 62 mph in a stunning 4.6 seconds



Mercedes comfort and luxury you would expect

TRADITIONAL AMG models have been big, brash and brutish in their performance delivery.

However, in the case of the A 45 AMG model, Mercedes has created a very hot hatch, thanks in the main to the class-busting 360 horsepower produced by its 2.0-litre, four-cylinder turbo engine.

In reality it's much more than a just hot hatch on steroids.

As is the case with every AMG car, you buy into the culture of the hand-built engine plus the numerous bespoke set-up and tuning modes over and above any conventional Sport-badged Mercedes.

And being a thoroughly modern AMG car, the A 45 boasts an intelligent all-wheel drive system that directs power to where you need it most. A helpful addition when car can sprint from rest to 62mph in a blistering 4.6 seconds.

With all the engine's power, comes control. Alongside the car's intelligent all-wheel drive system is a three-stage ESP set-up.

Aside from the default 'On' mode, there's a second setting giving the driver some leeway

before kicking in, with a third 'Off' mode promoted as a trackday setting.

Rounding off the powertrain tour is a version of Mercedes' existing double clutch gearbox. This seven-speed DSG-style gearbox can be left in auto or switched to a more responsive Sport mode, while chunky paddleshifters behind the steering wheel give the driver complete control in manual mode.

Cabin

Figure-hugging sports seats greet driver and passenger when you open the door, and from the sports-themed trim in the cabin it's clear that Mercedes isn't shy in promoting the A 45's performance potential. Racy, red-coloured trim and lots of faux carbon fibre are the obvious giveaways.

Still, Mercedes hopes the real thrill will be from driving. The A 45's deep exhaust note certainly suggests a good time will be had by all, yet the car is surprisingly civilised if you leave everything in its default setting. For many this will help make it an easy-to-live with all-rounder, which is not something you can say for some of the more

extreme, rock-hard riding, traditional hot-hatch buzz boxes. Granted, even in 'comfort' mode, you do know the A 45 is a bit special.

It's also quick, and boasts a refreshingly compliant ride in the context of a firmly suspended compact hatch. That's largely down to the value-added AMG element, which also makes its presence felt through the car's weighty and direct steering. Still, leaving the A 45 in its default settings will mean you'll fail to reap the benefit of its GTI-plus price tag.

Switch to the gearbox's Sport mode and gearchanges are noticeably quicker, plus you're accompanied by four-cylinder versions of AMG's trademark barking, backfiring and bellowing exhaust note.

The sports exhaust experience is a must, and the aural rewards are impressive considering you're in a car with half the normal AMG-tuned cylinder count. Despite the presence of an all-wheel drive system, in reality the A 45 bias remains largely front-driven. This, combined with the presence of a four-pot motor, is a first for AMG, yet the firm has done a good job of making the A-Class feel special.

0% APR | **Flexible Finance**
Representative**LIFETIME**
WARRANTY 100,000 MILE**Corsa 1.0i 12v ecoFLEX S**For just **£149.66 per month**
over 60 months with £1299 Customer deposit***Astra 1.4i 16v Energy**For just **£189.00 per month**
over 60 months with £1699 Customer deposit***ADAM 1.2i 16v VVT JAM**For just **£169.00 per month**
over 60 months with £999 Customer deposit***Brindley Cannock**Main A5
Staffordshire
WS11 1SH**08430 221114**

www.brindleyvauxhall.co.uk

Brindley Wednesbury57 Bridge Street
West Midlands
WS10 0AH**08430 221199**

www.brindleyvauxhall.co.uk

**VAUXHALL**

Official Government Test Environmental Data. Fuel consumption figures mpg (litres/100km) and CO₂ emissions (g/km). Vauxhall range (excluding Ampera): Urban: 14.4 (19.6) - 76.3 (3.7), Extra-urban: 27.4 (10.3) - 91.1 (3.1), Combined: 20.6 (13.7) - 85.6 (3.3). CO₂ emissions: 324 - 88g/km.

Available on selected models only, at participating retailers. Refer to www.vauxhall.co.uk/offers or contact your local Vauxhall retailer for details. Finance subject to status. Terms and conditions apply. Applicants must be 18 or over. Guarantee / Indemnity may be required. Finance supplied by either Vauxhall Motor Finance RH115R or Vauxhall Finance, PO Box 6666, Cardiff, CF15 7YT. 24-60 month term, excluding ADAM models (24-48 month term). Offer will apply to private individuals. Vauxhall Partners and small businesses 1-24 (purchase only, excluding B2B supported units). All other customers are excluded. Vauxhall Lifetime warranty covers lifetime ownership of first registered keeper, 100,000 mile limit. Terms and conditions apply. Offer(s) available on orders or registrations before 1 October 2013. * Customer deposit shown after deduction of Vauxhall contribution, excludes ADAM, Mokka, Cascada and New Insignia models. We can introduce you to a limited number of finance providers, commission may be received. Official Government test Environmental Data. Official EU-regulated test data are provided for comparison purposes and actual performance will depend on driving style, road conditions and other non-technical factors.

**BRAND NU
63 PLATE**

WITH UP TO

4yrs@

0% ONLY

£999

DEPOSIT

FROM ONLY

£56

PER MONTH

INCLUDES: 3 years Parts and Labour Guarantee & 3 years Hondacare Assistance

HONDA PCX 125

✓ COMPACT ✓ ECONOMICAL
✓ FASHIONABLE



**130
MPG**

L

**AGE
17**

£17

**PLUS
£100
CASHBACK!**
ON PCX/CBF
MODELS

OR →

HONDA CBF 125

✓ COMFORT ✓ HIGH QUALITY
✓ LOW RUNNING COSTS



**158
MPG**

L

**AGE
17**

£17

**PLUS
£100
CASHBACK!**
ON PCX/CBF
MODELS

OR →

HONDA CBR125R

Learner legal & ideal commuter...

...a 125 designed to give you the RIDING DYNAMICS of a FIREBLADE...a sporty but easy-going rider position...



L

**AGE
17**

£17

**122
MPG**

• • • **THREE GREAT 125cc BIKES – ONE FANTASTIC OFFER!** • • •

0% APR

**£99
DEPOSIT**

**48
MONTHS**

**£56.25
PER MONTH**

REPRESENTATIVE

**£99
DEPOSIT**

**36
MONTHS**

**£99.97
PER MONTH**

Finance example based on PCX125/CBF125 models at £2,799 and CBR125R at £3,698 including all on the road charges PLUS Honda 3 year Guarantee extension. Total amount payable £2,799 and £3,698 respectively. Fuel consumption for PCX125/CBF125: 28.6 m/l (130mpg) / 35.2 m/l (158.4mpg) WMTC mode, CBR125R fuel consumption 26.9 m/l (122.6mpg) WMTC mode. Finance subject to status. Subject to availability. Bikes must be registered by 30 September 2013. Terms & conditions apply.

BRINDLEY HONDA MOTORCYCLES 01902 393220

STAFFORD ROAD, WOLVERHAMPTON WV10 6HT (next to Wickes)

www.brindleyhondabikes.co.uk



We're not usually ones to shout about things,
but with a sale this good across our range of cars,
we had to say something.

The Honda Sale. 10th August – 9th September.

Pop in today or go to brindleyhonda.co.uk

**HONDA
SALE
NOW ON**



HONDA
The Power of Dreams



BRINDLEY HONDA

Cannock, Halesowen, West Bromwich and Wolverhampton
Call 08430 223041 or visit www.brindleyhonda.co.uk

Fuel consumption for the Honda car range in mpg (l/100km): Urban Cycle 23.2 – 70.6 (12.2 – 4.0), Extra Urban 40.4 – 85.6 (7.0 – 3.3), Combined 32.5 – 78.5 (8.7 – 3.6). CO₂ emissions 201 – 94g/km. Fuel consumption figures sourced from official EU-regulated laboratory test results, are provided for comparison purposes and may not reflect real-life driving experience.

Models shown for illustrative purposes: Jazz 1.4 i-VTEC Si Manual in optional White Orchid Pearl, Civic 1.8 i-VTEC EX GT Manual in Milano Red with optional 18-inch Krypton alloy wheels and CR-V 2.2 i-DTEC EX in optional Crystal Black Pearl.

Motoring

Decline complete as the motor city goes bankrupt



Spirit of America – the Ford Mustang is a true icon of Detroit and the US car industry and made famous in the great chase scene from the film Bullitt

THE news that the US city of Detroit has filed for Chapter 9 bankruptcy will come as a massive shock to many.

It seems hard to believe that a metropolis of this size – the largest city in the state of Michigan and once the 10th largest city in the country – can undergo such financial catastrophe.

But it is the decline of the native automotive industry over the last 40 years that has brought Detroit to its financial knees.

What was once a bright and prosperous hub is now a shell, and although the big car makers Ford and General Motors (GM) and still have a presence there, it's no longer the heart of the business.

Back in the heyday, American car manufacturers were in the ascendancy and Detroit was at the centre of it. Ford started its operations in Detroit while GM began in nearby Flint, before moving its headquarters to Detroit in the 1920s.

In the post-war period American cars began to evolve rapidly with new technology and a strong, distinctive style, and resulted in desirable machines within reach of the common man.

Throughout the late 1950s over 90 per cent of all car sales came from the home brands.

This meant prosperity for the man on the street too. Including the support industries, one sixth of America's workforce were employed by the car industry.

In the 1950s and early 1960s, you could walk out of one job on the production line in the morning and walk into a new one by the afternoon.

Domination

It could never last, though. Imports began to erode the American domination in the 1960s and federal regulation of the car industry introduced many safety systems that blunted performance and added cost.

By the early 1970s economy became a huge issue thanks to the fuel crisis, and the more reliable and frugal imported cars started to make the big-engined American cars look dated.

In Detroit itself the effect of this decline was reflected in the 'white flight'.

Following decades of racial tension, white families began to flock to the suburbs and by the late 1970s the racial mix of the city had been turned on its head.

As a result, property prices began to tumble, jobs became increasingly scarce and by 2010 its population was just 700,000 compared to the 1.8 million in 1950.

Although there are small sparks of promise, the major financial headache has yet to be overcome.

Whatever the solution for this might be, the booming car industry is long gone.

BRINDLEY WEDNESBURY OFFER – 2013/13 Reg - Delivery mileage

CHEVROLET CRUZE 1.6 LS HATCHBACK

• Air con • CD player • 6 airbags • Remote central locking

SAVE OVER £3,000*



TWO ONLY

5 YEARS **AT 0% APR** **REPRESENTATIVE** **£39.99** **PER WEEK**

£999 DEPOSIT

--- VAUXHALL NETWORK Q USED CARS --- QUALITY USED CARS ---

VAUXHALL AGILA

2010/10 Agila 1.2 Design Hatchback, Carbon Flash, 38000 miles... **£6499**

VAUXHALL ASTRA

2012/62 Astra 1.4 SRI 5 Door Hatchback, Black, 815 miles... **£11499**

2010/60 Astra 1.4 SXi 3 Door Hatchback, Carbon Flash, 25000 miles... **£7499**

2008/58 Astra 1.6 SXi 5 Door Hatchback, Star Silver, 34658 miles... **£6499**

2012/12 Astra 2.0 CDTi Elite Start/Stop 5dr Hatch, Sov/silver, 16558 miles... **£11499**

2011/61 Astra 2.0 CDTi SE Automatic 5dr Estate, Silver Lake, 16591 miles... **£11499**

2013/12 Astra CDTi St/St 2.0 Nav/BI/th/alloys 5dr Hatch, Carbon Flash, 11462 m... **£14299**

2010/60 Astra SE CDTi ecoFLEX 1.7 Nav, alloys, f&r park 5dr Est, Sov/Silver, 19307 m... **£11499**

2012/62 Astra SRI CDTi ecoFlex s/s 1.7 99 CO₂ Nav, BI/th 5dr Hatch, Carb/Flash, 4606 m... **£14000**

2012/62 Astra SRI CDTi Sat Nav 2.0 Camera/BI/th 19" alloys 5dr Hatch, Pwr/red, 9294 m... **£14499**

VAUXHALL CORSA

2009/59 Corsa 1.0 Active 3 Door Hatchback, Star Silver, 9500 miles... **£6000**

2008/08 Corsa 1.0 Life 3 Door Hatchback, Flame red, 34000 miles... **£5000**

2010/10 Corsa 1.2 Design 5 Door Hatchback, Metro Blue, 23000 miles... **£6699**

2008/58 Corsa 1.2 SXi 3 Door Hatchback, Sapphire Black, 28500 miles... **£5499**

2013/13 Corsa 1.2 SXi AC 3 Door Hatchback, Chilli Orange, 1025 miles... **£9499**

2012/12 Corsa 1.2 SXi A/C ecoFLEX Start/Stop 5dr Hatch, Tech/Grey, 15467 m... **£8499**

2012/62 Corsa 1.2 SXi A/C Hatchback, Power red, 12653 miles... **£8499**

2010/60 Corsa 1.3 CDTi Energy ecoFLEX 3dr Hatch, Flame Red, 35152 miles... **£7000**

2009/58 Corsa 1.4 Design 5 Door Hatchback, Star Silver, 14428 miles... **£6999**

2010/10 Corsa 1.4 SE 5 Door Hatchback, Carbon Flash, 16000 miles... **£6499**

2012/62 Corsa 1.4 SRI 3 Door Hatchback, Carbon Flash, 6089 miles... **£10000**

2012/62 Corsa 1.4 SRI 3 Door Hatchback, Power red, 4820 miles... **£9699**

2012/62 Corsa 1.4 SXi 3 Door Hatchback, Black, 11973 miles... **£9999**

VAUXHALL INSIGNIA

2012/62 Insignia 195 p/s auto 2.0 CDTi BiTurbo Elite Nav 5dr Spts Tr, Carb/Flash, 12430 m... **£18499**

2010/10 Insignia 2.0 CDTi Exclusiv 5dr Hatch auto, Silver Lake, 16049 miles... **£10000**

2012/12 Insignia 2.0 CDTi Exclusiv ecoFLEX St/St 5dr Hatch, Ww/Blue, 11404 m... **£13999**

2012/62 Insignia 2.0 CDTi SRI Nav VX-Line Red 5dr Hatch, Power red, 11444 m... **£15499**

2012/62 Insignia 2.0 CDTi SRI, 19" alloys 5dr Hatch, Carbon flash, 5344 m... **£14499**

VAUXHALL MERIVA

2011/60 Meriva 1.4 SE 5 Door MPV, Carbon Flash, 6818 miles... **£9000**

2012/62 Meriva 1.4 SE MPV, Pepperdust, 12722 miles... **£10499**

2012/62 Meriva 1.7 CDTi SE 5 Door MPV, Oriental Blue, 5176 miles... **£11499**

2012/12 Meriva 1.7 CDTi SE 5 Door MPV, Sovereign Silver, 4236 miles... **£11000**

2012/62 Meriva CDTi SE 1.7 18" alloys & BI/th 5dr MPV, Glacier White, 5 m... **£13999**

VAUXHALL ZAFIRA

2008/58 Zafira 1.8 Design MPV, Sovereign Silver, 32021 miles... **£7499**

VAUXHALL COMMERCIAL

2012/12 Combo 1.2 CDTi L1H1 St/St ecoFLEX 5dr Panel Van, Sum/White, 6058 m... **£8000+vat**

2012/12 Combo 1.6 CDTi L1H1 St/St 4dr Panel Van, Pol/White, 6677 m... **£8000+vat**

CHEVROLET AVEO

2011/61 Chevrolet Aveo 1.2 S 5dr Hatchback, sport Blue, 17000 miles... **£5499**

2011/11 Chevrolet Aveo 1.2 XS 3dr Hatchback, Sport Blue, 6000 miles... **£6499**

2012/12 Chevrolet Aveo 1.3 VCDi LTZ 5dr Hatchback, Ice Silver, 35 miles... **£10000**

CHEVROLET CRUZE

2012/12 Chevrolet Cruze 1.7 VDCi LT Hatchback, Ice silver, 4326 miles... **£13499**

2010/59 Chevrolet Cruze 1.8 LT Auto 4dr Saloon, Misty Lake, 15556 miles... **£7499**

CHEVROLET MATIZ

2008/58 Chevrolet Matiz 0.8 S 5dr Hatchback, Jazz Blue, 19000 miles... **£3499**

2007/57 Chevrolet Matiz 1.0 SE 5dr Hatchback, Cool Silver, 34000 miles... **£3499**

CHEVROLET ORLANDO

2012/61 Chevrolet Orlando 2.0 VCDi LT 5dr MPV auto, Pewter Grey, 11278 m... **£12000**

2012/12 Chevrolet Orlando 2.0 VCDi LTZ MPV auto, Velvet Red, 7714 miles... **£13000**

CHEVROLET SPARK

2010/10 Chevrolet Spark 1.2 LT 5dr Hatchback, Ice Silver, 13059 miles... **£6000**

OTHER MAKES

2008/58 Citroen C-Crosser 2.2 HDi VTR+ 5dr Estate, Iron Grey, 21000 miles... **£11000**

2010/10 Ford Fiesta 1.2 Edge 5dr Hatchback, Panther Black, 15000 miles... **£7499**

2008/08 Ford Fiesta 1.4 Zetec Climate 3dr Hatchback, Black, 29000 miles... **£5499**

2010/10 Peugeot 207 1.6 Allure 5dr Hatchback, Quartz Silver, 15000 miles... **£7499**

2008/08 Peugeot 207 CC 1.6 GT 2dr Convertible, Pearl Blue, 28000 miles... **£7000**

2007/57 Renault Clio 1.1 Rip Curl 5dr Hatchback, Calypso Blue, 25000 miles... **£4499**



More cameras are not the answer

Education is the key to safety on our country roads

DESPITE the explosion in urban traffic-calming measures, rural roads continue to present all too present dangers.

Unlike in cities, where considerable sums have been spent on speed humps, chicanes and other such devices, things are different out in the sticks. There, the measures are often no more advanced than a motion-sensing sign flashing up the speed limit or warning you of a bend in the road.

In reality this is little more than a sticking plaster for a much larger issue: namely that few people appear to know how to drive responsibly on rural roads.

It's with worrying regularity that local news outlets report on single vehicle accidents on country roads. The upturned car in a ditch and car-versus-tree scenario are sadly all too common. Worse still, the two-car collision resulting from a botched overtaking manoeuvre. Again, this illustrates it's not necessarily speed that kills, but a simple lack of skill.

So what's the big new idea from those in power to reduce these accidents? It's been decided that more speed cameras and even lower rural speed limits will be the new master plan – basically, more of the same. Worse still, those in Whitehall have also given local authorities increased responsibility for devising their own policies.

Flashing

If left unchecked by experts who actually know what works and what doesn't, there's every chance that we'll see mile after mile of otherwise safe roads neutered by 30 and 40mph limits, average speed cameras planted like trees in a sustainable forest and retina-burning flashing signs on every bend.

And don't forget that this thinly-veiled safety programme – the real motive is to slow traffic to a crawl – will cost considerable sums of money.

But it will happen, and it will be at the expense of arresting the real issues; improving crumbling state of the road network, clearing trees from obscuring road signs and improving sight lines at junctions and bends. That mid-corner pothole destined to unsettle a motorcyclist will still be there long after the last speed camera has been installed.

Of course, the better long-term solution would be to invest more in driver training and education. Raising standards would go a long way to eliminating many of our current problems, but as long as drivers believe they are entitled to a licence – as opposed to it being something you earn – little will change.

Yes, the programme would cost money, but the human cost would reduce as more drivers kept it on the tarmac.

The current policy of slowing everyone down to the level of the least skilled only leads to resentment from those who take driving seriously.

It also opens the door to wandering minds as we trundle along in a speed limit-induced coma.



BRINDLEY VAUXHALL WEDNESBURY 08430 221184

57 Bridge Street, Wednesbury WS10 0AH

www.brindleyvauxhall.co.uk

Also at: Main A5, Cannock WS11 1SH Tel. 08430 221126

CALLS CHARGED AT LOCAL RATE

* Against list price. 2013/13 Reg Delivery mileage: cash price £11,396.40, £999 deposit, amount to finance: £9617.00, interest charges: £0.00, x260 weekly payments: £39.99, total amount payable: £10,397.40, APR 0% Representative. Picture for illustration only. While stocks last. We are licensed credit brokers. Finance subject to status. Terms and conditions apply. Written details upon request.

20 days of Celebrations

Join us this weekend for our BBQ
and join in all the fun to mark the
20th year of Honda in Cannock

Up to
**£2000 Deposit
Contribution on
New Civic and
£500 off any
Used Car**
with this advert



20% OFF SERVICE[^]

£20 OFF MOT




UP TO 20% OFF all Honda accessories



£20 OFF any Honda Lawnmower*

£20

£20 Donation to local charities
with every test drive taken during this period



OPEN TIMES: MON-FRI 9-6.30pm SAT 9-5.30pm SUN 10.30-4.30pm



Walsall Road, Cannock WS11 0JP

08430 222834

www.brindley.co.uk



SIMPLY CLEVER

ŠKODA



Three big reasons to buy a new car at Autosales

From **£69 PER MONTH*** | **0% APR[†]** | with up to **3 YEARS' FREE SERVICING****

representative



0% APR offer applies to the whole ŠKODA range[†]

†0% APR representative Solutions offer available on selected new ŠKODA models with deposits from 0-30%, subject to underwriting. *£69 example based on Citigo Hatch 1.0 MPI SE 3dr, Cash price £8,780; 36-month Solutions agreement, 10,000 miles per annum and with a customer deposit of £2,426.28, 35 monthly payments of £69, followed by an optional final purchase payment of £3,938.72 – total amount to be financed £6,353.72. Deposit shown may be higher than the minimum; a lower deposit will result in increased monthly payments. Further charges may be payable if vehicle is returned. Excess mileage charged at 4.4p per mile. For finance, terms and conditions apply. Indemnities may be required. Subject to status. Over 18s in mainland UK only. Excludes Channel Islands. ŠKODA Finance, Freeport, ŠKODA Finance. We can introduce you to a limited number of lenders to assist with your purchase, who may pay us for introducing you to them. Prices and specifications are accurate at time of print. Offers may be varied or withdrawn at any time and are not available in conjunction with any other offer. Retail sales only. Subject to availability on orders placed before 30 September 2013. **Free servicing up to 3 years or 30,000 miles (whichever comes first) when purchased with ŠKODA Solutions. †Model exclusions apply. Models shown vary from UK specification. Official fuel consumption in mpg (litres/100km) for the ŠKODA range: Urban 19.2 (14.7) to 68.9 (4.1), Extra Urban 36.2 (7.8) to 94.2 (3.0), Combined 27.7 (10.2) to 83.1 (3.4). CO₂ emissions for the ŠKODA range 237 to 89g/km. Standard EU test figures for comparative purposes and may not reflect real driving results.

THE
LARGEST
STOCK OF
USED ŠKODAS
IN THE
MIDLANDS

Sizzling Summer Offers at Autosales Big Savings on New Prices

AUTOSALES
THE UK'S LONGEST
ESTABLISHED ŠKODA DEALER

Driveaway from only
£4995
ON THE ROAD

Choice of 31

Fabia Hatch
Choice of colours

Driveaway from only
£8995
ON THE ROAD

12 REG
62 REG

Roomster

From only 6,080 miles. Choice of colours

Driveaway from only
£18995
ON THE ROAD

Superb SE Plus
Estate CRD Diesel

From only 5,000 miles. Choice of colours

Driveaway from only
£8995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG
62 REG

Citigo SE 3 dr
• Sunroof • Tinted Glass

From only 1,000 miles. Choice of colours

Driveaway from only
£16995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG

NEW MODEL
Octavia 1.6
and 2.0
TDI Diesel

Driveaway from only
£9995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG

Citigo Elegance 5 door
Greentech

From only 1,800 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE £1000
ON NEW PRICE**

Driveaway from only
£14995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG
62 REG

Superb Estate CRD Diesel

From only 7,800 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£5000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£14995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG
62 REG

Superb Hatch SE Plus
CRD Diesel

From only 7,800 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£5000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£14995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG
62 REG

Superb Hatch SE Plus
CRD Diesel

From only 7,800 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£5000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£14995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG
62 REG

Superb Hatch SE Plus
CRD Diesel

From only 7,800 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£5000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£12995
ON THE ROAD

Rapid 1.6 SE CR Diesel

From only 3,000 miles. Choice of colours (including metallic paint)

**SAVE £4105
ON NEW PRICE**

Driveaway from only
£14995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG
62 REG

Superb Hatch SE Plus
CRD Diesel

From only 7,800 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£5000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£14995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG
62 REG

Superb Hatch SE Plus
CRD Diesel

From only 7,800 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£5000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£14995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG
62 REG

Superb Hatch SE Plus
CRD Diesel

From only 7,800 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£5000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£14995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG
62 REG

Superb Hatch SE Plus
CRD Diesel

From only 7,800 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£5000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£9995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG

Rapid 1.2 S 5 door Hatch

From only 2,000 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE £2910
ON NEW PRICE**

Driveaway from only
£14995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG
62 REG

Superb Hatch SE Plus
CRD Diesel

From only 7,800 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£5000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£14995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG
62 REG

Superb Hatch SE Plus
CRD Diesel

From only 7,800 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£5000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£14995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG
62 REG

Superb Hatch SE Plus
CRD Diesel

From only 7,800 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£5000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£14995
ON THE ROAD

13 REG
62 REG

Superb Hatch SE Plus
CRD Diesel

From only 7,800 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£5000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£5995
ON THE ROAD

Choice of 27

Fabia Estate

From only 1,000 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£1000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£13995
ON THE ROAD

62 REG

Yeti TDI Diesel

From only 6,000 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£3000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£13995
ON THE ROAD

62 REG

Yeti TDI Diesel

From only 6,000 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£3000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£13995
ON THE ROAD

62 REG

Yeti TDI Diesel

From only 6,000 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£3000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£13995
ON THE ROAD

62 REG

Yeti TDI Diesel

From only 6,000 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£3000 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£12795
ON THE ROAD

13 REG

Fabia Monte Carlo Tech
1.6 CRDi Diesel
5 door Hatchback

From only 1,000 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£2500 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£12795
ON THE ROAD

13 REG

Fabia Monte Carlo Tech
1.6 CRDi Diesel
5 door Hatchback

From only 1,000 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£2500 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£12795
ON THE ROAD

13 REG

Fabia Monte Carlo Tech
1.6 CRDi Diesel
5 door Hatchback

From only 1,000 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£2500 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£12795
ON THE ROAD

13 REG

Fabia Monte Carlo Tech
1.6 CRDi Diesel
5 door Hatchback

From only 1,000 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£2500 ON NEW**

Driveaway from only
£12795
ON THE ROAD

13 REG

Fabia Monte Carlo Tech
1.6 CRDi Diesel
5 door Hatchback

From only 1,000 miles. Choice of colours

**SAVE OVER
£2500 ON NEW**

Autosales
Attwood Road, Burntwood, W57 3GJ
08433 160483 LOCAL RATE CALL
www.autosalesgroup.co.uk

Autosales
Vulcan Road, Bilston, Wolverhampton WV14 7JW
08433 160512 LOCAL RATE CALL

follow us on
twitter
@autosalesgroup

find us on
facebook



FIND NEW ROADS®**BRINDLEY CHEVROLET**

SPECIAL OFFER...

ONCE THEY ARE GONE... THEY'RE GONE!!

• BRAND NEW •

ORLANDO 7 SEATER LT

- Air con
- iPod connection
- Alloy wheels
- Rear parking sensors
- Petrol and diesel
- ONLY 3 AVAILABLE



FROM ONLY **£12,995**



• BRAND NEW •

CRUZE STATION WAGON LTZ

FROM ONLY **£14,995**



• BRAND NEW •

AVEO LT FROM ONLY **£9,995**

- 2 litre diesel auto
- Sat nav
- Climate control
- Rear parking camera
- Heated seats
- 17" alloys
- Bluetooth® phone kit
- iPod connection
- ONLY 2 AVAILABLE



- Diesel manual and petrol auto
- Air con
- Alloy wheels
- Cruise control
- Bluetooth®
- iPod connection
- ONLY 2 AVAILABLE



BRINDLEY CHEVROLET



• Bridge Street, Wednesbury WS10 0AH
Telephone: 08430 221196 enquiries@brindley.biz
Browse online: www.brindleychevrolet.co.uk Calls charged at local rate.

• Stafford Road, Wolverhampton WV10 6HT
Telephone: 08430 221068 enquiries@brindleychevrolet.co.uk

Official Government Environment Data. Fuel consumption figures mpg (litres/100km) and CO2 emissions (g/km). Aveo range: Urban: 31.4 (9.0) - 67.2 (4.2), Extra Urban: 52.3 (5.4) - 85.6 (3.3), Combined - 41.5 (6.8) - 78.4 (3.6). CO2 emissions 159 - 95g/km. Orlando range: Urban 29.1-35.8, Extra-urban 47.9-57.7, Combined 38.7-47.1, Co2 159-186 g/km. Cruze 1.8 LT Station Wagon Automatic: Urban 27.9, Extra-Urban 52.3, Combined 39.7, Co2 166 G/Km. Fuel consumption figures sourced from official EU-regulated laboratory test results, are provided for comparison purposes and may not reflect real-life driving experience.

Prices exclude Road tax, first registration fee and metallic paint.

Local Specialists



Aerials

Diamond Digital Aerials
Freeview • Satellite • Cable • Broadband

Freeview Digital Aerials Supplied & Fitted

- Additional points and multi room systems
- BBC / ITV freesat APPROVED installer
- Multi source, multi room audio systems
- Sky repair service from just £30
- Broadband Internet and Telephone points
- Flatscreen tv wall mount installations
- All work covered by 12 months guarantee
- CCTV installations view via your smartphone

For FREE ADVICE and complete peace of mind call IAN your local Registered Digital Installer on: 01922 780212 or 07947 407 336
www.diamondigitalaerials.co.uk

Digital Rapid Aerials

-Aerials, Plasma Brackets & CCTV
Cameras supplied & fitted
-Repairs -Tuning -Multirooms

OAP DISCOUNTS
FREE QUOTATIONS

AERIALS FITTED FROM £69!

A LOCAL BUSINESS YOU CAN TRUST
01922 693047
07960 173589

Builders

**FASCIA & SOFFITTS
SUMMER SPECIAL**

From £650
0121 556 7203
07752 506695
hunterbob57@hotmail.com

Carpentry

JAY'S CARPENTRY & HOME IMPROVEMENTS

NEED EXTRA SPACE?...
GARAGE CONVERSIONS

ALSO LOFT LADDERS
SUPPLIED & INSTALLED

- Fitted Wardrobes
- Floors • Tiling
- Doors • Decking

FREE QUOTES

Call Jason: 01922 611272
/ 07951 922879
www.jayscarpentry.co.uk

Decorating

B.L. DECORATORS

Exteriors

- * Full or Part Rooms
- * Ceilings
- * Staircases
- * OAP Rates

Completion Before Payment

Call: 01922 631355

Absolutely Fabulous Decorators

Over 30 Years Experience
FAMILY RUN BUSINESS
Interior & Exterior Work
NO JOB TOO BIG OR SMALL
e-mail: afdecorators@outlook.com
Open 7 Days Per Week

Tel: 07904 412981

Blinds & Curtains

BARGAIN BLINDS & AWNINGS

SALE

7 Vertical Blinds From only £199
All Blinds Reduced

Celebrating Our 14th Year
VAT OFF

VERTICALS, ROLLERS, VENETIANS, ROMANS, VELUX, PLEATED, PATIO AWNINGS AND CURTAINS, CONSERVATORY & CURVED BLIND SPECIALISTS

FREE Quote FREE Fitting
FREE Child Safety Features

Free Phone 0800 0347 111
www.ukbargainblinds.co.uk

6 VERTICAL BLINDS FOR ONLY £199

• Widest choice of fabrics • Fast local service
• Fully guaranteed • Call now for a free no obligation quote to measure • Free fitting

GLOBAL BLINDS
VERTICAL, ROLLER & VENETIAN

Superb Quality - Genuine Offers
FOR FRIENDLY ADVICE & SERVICE
TELEPHONE 9am - 9pm 7 days a week
CALL NOW 0845 505 1122

Double Glazing

WINDOW DOCTOR

THE MOST EXPERIENCED REPAIR SPECIALISTS IN THE AREA
ESTABLISHED OVER 26 YEARS

- BROKEN AND MISTED UNITS REPLACED
- VELUX WINDOW UNITS REPLACED
- REPAIRS TO DOORS, WINDOWS, PATIOS AND CONSERVATORIES
- WE FIX: FAULTY LOCKS, BROKEN HINGES, HANDLES AND PATIO WHEELS
- ALL WORK AND MATERIALS GUARANTEED

NO CALL OUT CHARGE
FOR A FREE SURVEY OR ADVICE CALL NEIL / DAVE ON:
01543 504900 24 HRS
07748 108035
12 WELLINGTON DRIVE, CANNOCK WS11 1PU

Electricians

T: 01922 711192
M: 07723 028842
E: info@l-s-f-electricalservices.co.uk
www.l-s-f-electricalservices.co.uk

COMMERCIAL
DOMESTIC
FIRE ALARMS
INTRUDER ALARMS
DATA CABLING

LSF ELECTRICAL

MB electric

All domestic and commercial electrical works undertaken
Home rewiring from £800

For a high quality local service call:
01922 509984
07939 503905
mbelectric.co.uk

PROTECH ELECTRICAL

Full - Part Rewires
Fuse Board Upgrades
Showers - Cooker Point
Burglar Alarm
Additional Sockets

NO JOB TOO SMALL
FOR FREE QUOTE
01922 644 418

Driveways

DRIVEWAY & PATIO — CLEANING —

cleaning • re-sanding • re-sealing

All types of surfaces cleaned from £99 40m² or less

Blocked Drains, Toilets, Sinks, Man Holes
CCTV Survey • Excavation/Repair Work
Insurance Work • Fast Response

01922 494467 • 07792 409277
NIVC Cleaning Services

Fencing

P J BROADHURST FENCING
Top Quality Fencing Supplied & Fitted
All types of fence panels • Gravel boards

FREE QUOTES
You will be blown away by our prices!

01922 611681
07770 954073
www.pjbroadhurstfencing.co.uk

B J FENCING SUPPLIES

Approved by Guild of Master Craftsmen for Skill, Quality, Service and Integrity
QUALITY PRODUCTS - TRADE PRICES

"We extend an open invitation to visit our unit to compare our quality and prices"

"WE GUARANTEE TO BEAT ANY OTHER GENUINE, WRITTEN 'LIKE FOR LIKE' QUOTE"

Panels, Posts, Gravel Boards, Gates etc
5 Litres Preservative in Gold, Brown, Red, Green £7.50
Price Lists now available for retail or trade
Trust the professionals, established 15 years
Tel: 01543 821213 - 07886 369958 - 07828 693442
Unit 21, Zone 3, Burntwood Business Park, Robins Road, Burntwood WS7 3FS (rear Morrisons)

Loft Ladders

LOFT SERVICES

- Loft Ladders supplied & fitted from £99
- New or enlarged loft access
- Loft Flooring fitted
- Loft Insulation

UPVC drop down hatch with easy slow aluminium ladder £185 fully fitted

For advice call Carl on
0121 556 1761
Mobile: 07502 103997
14 years' experience

Tiling

ANDY'S CERAMIC WALL & FLOOR TILING

- Kitchen and bathroom fitting service
- General home improvements

FREE QUOTES
Tel: 01922 494193
Mobile: 0782 1837399

Gardening

Meadow Vale D.J. Eardley

Fencing, Block Paving, Slabbing, Rockeries, Walling, Turfing, Hedge Trimming, Conifer Cutting, Rubbish Removals & Garden Clearances.

Driveway Cleaning and Grass Cutting

- 10 years' experience
- Photo album of complete jobs
- All work undertaken carried out by qualified tradesmen

WE WILL BEAT ANY GENUINE LIKE FOR LIKE QUOTE

Tel: 01543 361196
Mob: 07980 888431
Telephone for free quote or estimate

Screened Top Soil £15 per ton

Clean Hardcore & Sand Hoggin available
5 ton and over - FREE delivery within a 5 mile radius
Ton loads or bags - price on application

Digger & Driver For Hire

Builders Bag of Logs £50
Small Bags £3 or 2 for £5

House and Garden Clearance undertaken

07831 209821

GREENVALE LANDSCAPERS AND TREE SERVICES

Slabbing, Driveways, Patio, Fencing and Turfing also Low Maintenance Gardens e.g. Chippings and Decorative Gravel

Trees Felled, Pruned, Lopped & Topped
Hedge Trimming.
All rubbish removed

For a **FREE** Quote call Keith
01922 423614 or 07747 741574
20% Discount for OAP's
Fully insured, with 18 years experience

IAN'S Gardening Services

General Garden Maintenance
Fencing, Slabbing, Paving Turfing and Astro Turfing
Hedges, Conifers and Trees lopped or trimmed
20 years experience

**01922 711150
07722 533247**

Chase TREE CARE

We are a locally based, family run Company established in 2007.

Glenn is the owner and a fully qualified Tree Surgeon who has 19 years experience in running and all aspects of professional tree surgery.

We also carry full Public Liability Insurance in £5 million.

For a free no obligation competitive quote from a friendly expert, call:
01543 877887 / 07796 265323
or on: www.chasetreecare.co.uk

To advertise your business and reach 95,000 potential customers...

1

Call us on...
01543 465331

2

E-mail us at...
s.broad@expressandstar.co.uk

3

Post to...
Sam Broad, Walsall Chronicle,
Queen Square, Cannock. WS11 1ES

Local Specialists

star★extra TRAVEL

LONDON THEATRE



Choose your show, price band* and how you want to travel

Coach inclusive breaks – Two days

Selected weekend departures

Saturday Night from £129.95

Dine and Dance from £139.95

Take in a top West End show and have some free time in London for shopping and sightseeing. For the Dine and Dance option see the matinee performance before heading back to the hotel for dinner and disco (conditions apply). For the Saturday Night option see the evening performance.

For both breaks the price includes a theatre ticket, overnight stay in a four-star outer London hotel, with full English breakfast (plus dinner for Dine and Dance options).

Pick ups offered are Dudley, Shrewsbury, Telford, Walsall and Wolverhampton.

Rail inclusive breaks – Two or three days

Departures most weekends

Saturday Night Theatre from £139.95

Catch the Theatre Express and enjoy a super two-day weekend break in the capital. There's a choice of London hotels tickets are for a Saturday evening performance.

Rail travel is standard class with the option to upgrade. Departs Saturday morning/early afternoon from Birmingham New Street, Shrewsbury, Stafford or Wolverhampton, returning on the Sunday afternoon/early evening to give plenty of free time for shopping and sightseeing.

Theatre Showstopper from £189.95
Theatre Weekend from £189.95

These popular theatre packages to the West End depart from Birmingham New Street, Shrewsbury, Stafford or Wolverhampton on the Friday morning returning on the Sunday afternoon/early evening.

Standard class travel is included with the option to upgrade. Two nights stay at a three or four-star London hotel of your choice (hotel supplements may apply) and a top priced ticket for a Friday evening performance for the Theatre Showstopper package or choose your price band for the Saturday evening performance with the Theatre Weekend package.

*The "from" price and price bands vary for each show – see brochure for details.

Single room supplements apply.

Organised by Omega Events Ltd (ABTA Y590X)

For a theatre brochure call the promotions team on (01902) 319999 (Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm), or go to expressandstar.com/starextratravel

Please read brochure/web page for full information plus terms and conditions

Household Appliances

D & D DOMESTICS

Your Local Repair

Engineers

All makes of Electric Cookers, Washing Machines and Tumble Dryers

Free CALL OUT

Factory trained Engineers

Call anytime on:

01922 746886
07958 746758

Property Maintenance

CW Joinery

DOOR SUPPLIERS AND FITTERS

SPECIAL OFFERS!

- 6 Panel white grained doors, supplied and fitted **£54.50** each
- 6 x 6 Panel pre-painted doors fully fitted for **£375** complete with handles
- NEW! 6x6 Panel pre-painted and plastic coated doors fully fitted only **£405!**
- External doors supplied and fitted from **£210**
- Fit only, Paint or Stain available
- Fire doors fitted
- Pine, oak, hardwood doors available

FreePhone 0800 019 3376
01922 709543

PVC NOW AVAILABLE

6 Internal Panel Doors Fully Fitted **£299**
Standard sizes apply

Roofing

WALSALL ROOFING SPECIALISTS

PROFESSIONAL AND RELIABLE SERVICE

- Slate and Tile Repairs
- Flat Roofs, EPDM Rubber Roofing
- UPVC Soffits and Fascias
- Chimney Reducing
- Guttering Repairs
- All Pointing Work
- Insurance Work
- 20 Year Guarantee
- 25 Years Experience
- Re-Roofs
- All genuine quotes beaten
- Special rates for senior citizens

FREE Estimates

Call Mark: **01922 694548 / 07790 214856**

www.walsallroofingspecialists.co.uk

Brookes & Son ROOFING SERVICES

- ★ Discounts for OAP's
- ★ Insurance Work ★ Lead Work
- ★ Ridge Tiles Replaced
- ★ Flat Roofs ★ Pointing
- ★ Rubber Roofing (E.P.D.M.)
- ★ Chimney Repairs ★ Fascias & Gutters
- 25 years in the business
- FAMILY RUN - FREE QUOTES

Call: **01922 711150**
07722 533247

ALL AREAS COVERED

Window Specialists

ECO Glaze Windows

Specialising in misted, steamed up, foggy, smashed or cracked double glazed unit replacement.

We have over 15 years experience within the window industry, we can repair or refurbish any type of window, for example: UPVC, Wooden or aluminium, with our expertise we can bring your windows back to life thus reviving all of their original qualities.

GLAZING SPECIALISTS

Now Fitting 'A' Rated Glass
Call now for more info

T: 01543 686946
W: www.ecoglaze.pro
E: sales@ecoglaze.pro
24 Lambert Drive,
Burntwood WS7 2DR

Motoring Experts



Accessories

P & S Spares & Repairs Ltd (Vauxhall Specialists)

Second hand spares off the shelf

- Servicing and Mechanical Repairs
- Electronic Engine Management and Airbag Fault Diagnostic Service

WANTED

LATE VAUXHALLS: Scrap, MOT failures or accident damaged - Anything considered VAUXHALL PARTS ALSO WANTED

Tel: **01543 370077**

Mobile: **07956 911287**

Unit 15, Yates's Boat Yard, Lime Lane, Pelsall, WS3 5AS

Mot's

Cars **£29.95**
Motorcycles **£21.95**
Three Wheelers **£29.95**

David Ross Ltd

81/91 Hednesford Road, Heath Hayes, Cannock, Staffs WS12 3HL

01543 277916 OPEN 6 DAYS A WEEK

Mon-Fri: 8.30 am-5.00 pm Saturday: 8.30 am-12.30 pm

O.A.P £2.00 OFF THURS/FRI

Local Specialists



CLIFF THE PLUMBER

24 Hour Callout

No Job Too Small

Leaking Pipes

Radiators & Tanks Fitted

Also Gutter Repairs & Fascias

FREE QUOTES

10% OFF for Pensioners

Family business for 35 years

Tel: Cliff

01543 432584 evenings

Daytime: 07836 577269

L. Smith Plumbing

24 hr Call Out

NO JOB TOO SMALL

Leaking pipes, Taps,

Ball Valves Repair and

Re-new, Radiators, Toilets etc.

Gutters, Repair and Fascias

Free Quotes

10% OFF FOR PENSIONERS

Family business

07511 539915

Anytime

01543 432677

SIM HEATING SOLUTIONS

SPECIAL OFFER

- Gas Fire & Cookers Fitted
- Radiators Changed
- All Appliances serviced & Fitted
- Landlord Safety Certificates
- Complete Bathrooms & Kitchens Fitted
- No Hidden Charges

Complete central heating installation

A Rated (Combi boiler, 7 radi) from **£1900**

LPG Work Now Being Undertaken

A Rated Boiler Change from **£950**

Tank System to Combi Boiler from **£1900**

Tel: **07814 882504**

NO OBLIGATION - FREE QUOTE

300347

NEED A PLUMBER?

Bathrooms and Kitchens Fitted Tiling Specialists

For all those jobs around your kitchen

and bathroom Taps, Radiators, Burst

Pipes, Showers and Leaks.

- NO JOB TOO SMALL

- NO CALL OUT CHARGE

GIVE IAN A CALL FOR A FREE QUOTE

07813 506025 OR (01902) 276740

To advertise your business and reach 95,000 potential customers...

1

Call us on...
01543 465331

2

E-mail us at...
s.broad@expressandstar.co.uk

3

Post to...
Sam Broad, Walsall Chronicle,
Queen Square, Cannock, WS11 1ES

Classified Ads

Buy Local, Sell Local

Index

- 1 Family
- 2 Leisure Time
- 3 Home & Services
- 4 Pets & Animals
- 5 Business & Farming
- 6 Property
- 7 Jobs
- 8 Motoring
- 9 Local Information
- 10 Personals

Free Ads

IT'S FREE IT'S EASY

For items up to **£250**

VISIT:

www.expressandstar.com/bookanad

Simply press the free ad icon.
Sorry, no pets, guns or livestock.
Private advertisers only.

Place a paid for advert

By Phone
01902 317878
8.30am - 6pm Mon - Fri. Closed Sat/Sun.

Online
www.expressandstar.com/bookanad

In person
At your local Express & Star Office.
Cancel/amend, call before 3.00pm
Monday - Friday for the next day's
advertisement or also before 3.00pm
Friday for Monday's advertisement.

funeral directors

ANDREW WALSH Memorials



Call: **01922 496117**

39 Park Road, Bloxwich, W53 355

Jennings

Funeral Directors
www.jenningsfunerals.co.uk

We are proud to have been serving the local community of Wolverhampton since 1848

Providing a choice of funerals and memorials to suit all budgets. Our friendly arrangers can also offer help and advice with pre-paid funeral planning.

For your nearest branch or to arrange a home visit please call
01922 712153

Peter Harrison,
Funeral Director

Here for you, whenever you need us, 24 hours a day.

Turn To Us For Help and Support

In your time of need we'll take care of all the funeral arrangements.

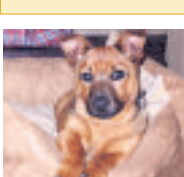
- Est. 1907
- 24 hour service

G. Gibbs

Funeral Directors
44 All Saints Way
West Bromwich B71 1PZ
0121 553 0442

Dignity
Part of Dignity plc. A British Company.

lost & found



LOST DOG
Jack Russell, unusual colour
ginger/gold, friendly, last
seen Doxeyfields July 28, has
a brown collar.
Children missing him.
Reward for info leading to
his return 07774 459635.

1 Family

education & tuition

MATHS, ENGLISH 11+ TUITION
For free assessment call Kip
McGrath on 01543 253311

elderly & disabled

BROOKS STAIRLIFT, straight flight,
very good condition, £250.
Telephone 01543 372097.

Free Ads

IT'S FREE, IT'S EASY
For items up to £250.
Online at
www.expressandstar.com/bookanad

MOBILITY SCOOTER, fit car boot,
as new, used twice, bargain, £295.
Can deliver, 07596 387346.

2 Leisure Time

bikes

JACKSON-HATELEY CYCLES

www.jacksonhateleycycles.co.uk

GRAND SCHOOL HOLIDAY SALE

ALL CYCLES DIRECT FROM THE
MANUFACTURER AT UNBEATABLE PRICES
All spares and accessories at discount price
YOU BEAT OUR PRICE, WE BEAT YOURS
Book your cycle at SALE PRICE
or take away with you
All guaranteed with a 24 hour repair service

HATELEY'S

Simply the best
Ring Dave on
01902 782344
458 Stafford Road, Oxley,
Wolverhampton

car boot sales

SUNDAY CAR BOOT SALE

Muckley Corner, Hall Lane,
Lichfield WS14 0BE
EVERY SUNDAY & EVERY
BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY
6:30am - 2pm
£3.50 any Pitch-Car-Van
07538842842

AFTERNOON SUPER SATURDAY BOOTSALE

12 PM SELLERS 10AM
bigger field, 6476 Robin Rd,
Between Dudley & Telford, WS15 5NZ
www.bestbootsales.com
07890 267041

Best Wednesday Boot sale

10am
Pouk Lane A461 muckley corner
between Lichfield & Walsall
Super Saturday Bootsale
8am
Barracks lane, Walsall Wood
Between Lichfield & Walsall
www.bestbootsales.com
07890 26741

The best every saturday BOOT SALE

8am - 2pm
A454 Rudge Heath by royal oak island pub,
betw Walsall & Bridgnorth, WS9 9DL
New Toilets & as much space as you want
The biggest every SUNDAY BOOT SALE
8am - 2pm
A34 Cannock chase, Cannock, ST17 0SG
as much space as you want
Super every saturday BOOTSALE
8am - 2pm
Barracks lane off A5, Walsall wood
between Lichfield & Walsall, WS9 9DL
as much space as you want
www.bestbootsales.com
07890 267041

caravans / motorhomes

COME AND VISIT

Between Bridgnorth and Ludlow
Caravans and prices to suit you \$900
11 month holiday season
No caravan age restriction
Details 01584 823433

ATLAS FESTIVAL ONE BED CARAVAN

With decking, shed, 2
carparking spaces, quiet site in
Mid Wales, 2 fishing pools, fees
paid for 2013
£4,500 ono.
07595 178841.

BAILEY DISCOVERY 100, 2005, 4-

berth, full awning + porch, full oven,
gas burner, grill, aerial, stabiliser,
extras £4,300. 01922 693060.

A BEAUTIFUL TOURING PARK

Between Bridgnorth and Ludlow
ADULTS ONLY
All weather Super Pitches
01584 823456
www.wheatthillpark.co.uk

CARAVANS AND CHALETS

For sale with sea views near
Aberystwyth from £5995 includes
2013 site fees. Call Phil on:
01970 820579.

COMPASS CORONA CLUB 524

2009, lovely four berth, end
bathroom, motor mover, porch
awning with annex and inner
tent, reluctant sale.
£8,750.
07812 382234.



COSALT MONACO DELUXE

High spec static caravan, sited
in 200 acres of woodland in
Snowdonia National Park, 2003
model, CH and DG, 2 bedroom,
6 berth, bathroom with whirlpool
bath/separate shower, separate
lounge, fully fitted kitchen
with washing machine. Individual
plot with fenced off garden
and terrace.

£16,000 ono. 01902 655058.

FORD TRANSIT 100 camper van,
1992, 5 seatbelts, £2,650 ono.
Telephone 0121 601471.

LUXURY TWIN UNIT LODGES

For Sale on the coast of West
Wales on stunning new
development with sea views. For
info call Sean 07817 067191

STORAGE AVAILABLE

CASSOA silver award for
caravans, boats etc. 07977 325096

35' x 12' 6 BERTH CARAVAN
Small, Quiet Rural Site, Excellent
Condition, UPVC Verandah and
Ramp, Patio and Parking Area. Suit
semi / retired £13995 inc of all fees.
07891 528061 or 01686 670408

caravans wanted

All Caravans Wanted
Any Age or Condition
CASH WAITING
Immediate collection
Call Bill on 07760 344 750

music shop

GUITAR LESSONS. Any ability or
style, 25 years experience, 07519
606278. www.amplutition.co.uk

holidays

caravan holidays

TO LET

Twyn near Barmouth/Aberdovey
LARGE SIX BERTH CARAVAN
Seafont site, sandy beach,
picturesque views, club
and shop.
Enquiries tel: 07979 716398
or 01543 878367

BOYCE HOLIDAY PARK and Cot-
tages. Quiet park situated nr Brom-
yard. Static holiday homes sales,
casual/seasonal touring and self-
catering. Call for a colour brochure:
01886 884 248.

mind, body & soul

clairvoyance

PSYCHIC TAROT READINGS Live
1 to 1. 0906 751 0300 75p per min,
calls recorded. Credit/Debit card
0141 427 7003 (£25 - 30 mins).

dentistry

DENTAL & IMPLANT CLINIC
Dental implants, whitening treat-
ments, flexible dentures, invisalign
(invisible braces), crowns. Taking
new private patients. 20% off first
check-up fee. 1 Sutton Oak Corner,
Bakers Lane, Sutton Coldfield, B74
2DH. 0121 353 0483 / 07447
474654

hair & beauty

LOCAL MOBILE HAIRDRESSER
men, women, children and OAP's
welcome. Michael: 07842 399159.

weddings

car hire

DEZIRE WEDDING CARRIAGE/

Car Hire Linxex Horses & Carriage
etc: 0800 6226455 or 07824
517923.

wedding jewellers

BESPOKE WEDDING RING CUSH-

IONS call Donna on 07772 791728
or www.donnas-gifts.co.uk

what's on

auctions

HARVEY'S AUCTIONS Tuesdays,
Wednesdays and Thursdays.
For details call: 07839 421862 or visit
www.harveys-auctions.co.uk

markets

BIGGEST SUNDAY MARKET

IN THE MIDLANDS
Bescot Stadium, Walsall FC
WS1 4SA, FREE PARKING, JR M6
0789 91701 All hard standing
Stall Hire Available From £21

3 Home & Services

furniture

FURNITURE EXPRESS

New store in Brownhills.

The no 1 ex
catalogue
clearance store.

63 High Street WS8 6HH
07552 010584

MAPLE DINING SUITE, beautiful
table set, seats 8 and in very good
condition. £350. 01902 844616.

household appliances

in your garden

Sale at Diamond Sheds

Call for prices/information
01922 500032
or visit www.diamondshed.com

A LANDSCAPING & GARDEN SERVICE

Regular Mowing & Maintenance.
Jungles cleared & restored.
Garden tidy-ups. New lawns laid.
Paving, Hedge Cutting & Tree
Surgery. Free estimates.

01902 683607 or 07939 634708

A AND B CULTIVATED TURF

supplied or laying service £1.30 per roll
01922 666770 / 07787 813102

A Bargain Lawn Turf

A lush green lawn turf, cut
fresh in easy to lay rolls
£1.40 per roll.
Deliveries daily.
Trent Valley Turf
01902 738217

ALL SHEDS, Playhouses, Summer-

houses built to your spec, fence
panels, only £1.60mc. VAT.
Ranton Building Supplies:
01543 276006.

items for sale

CANNOCK EXCHANGE

We buy & sell quality used goods:
Car audio, Air Rifles, TVs & Laptops, Bikes,
Gold, Silver, Jewellery, Grouped, Disco Gear
etc. Try us! No Funnies.

186 Stafford Rd, Cannock, WS11 4AH
Open Tues to Sat 10am-6pm
01543 570990 Closed Sun & Mon

Pots & Crocks

Ceramic and Traditional
Kitchenware

If you want something specific ask us
and we will try to get it for you
07539 264477

HAVE YOU CHECKED your advertise-

ment today? We would respect-
fully remind advertisers that it is
their responsibility to inform the
publishers of any mistakes or mac-
rocures on the first day of publica-

ASH RECLAMATION

new and
used building materials, upvc doors
and windows 01543 453222.

CHEAP BRICKS

£12 per 100 inc vat, also red hand made brick,
£28.90 per 100 inc vat. Prices to
clear. Ranton Building Supplies
Limited, Cannock 01543 276006.

CORRUGATED Roofing Sheets

Also tile effect/box profile/curved
and z purins. Call Horsey Steels
01547 530419

antiques

ALARMES

Supplied and Fitted £195
Servicing and Repairs
12 Months Warranty
All areas covered
All quotes beaten!
Call: 0121 601 9791

PREMIER ALARMS

Supplied and Fitted £195
Servicing and Repairs
12 Months Warranty
All areas covered
All quotes beaten!
Call: 0121 601 9791

ANTIQUE'S WANTED

All Furniture, Clocks, China, Medals,
Coins, Paintings, Gold & Silver Jewellery
HOUSE CLEARANCE SERVICE
CHASE ANTIQUES
(Over 35 years Trading)
01543 572367 07831 818024

items wanted

ALL GOLD 9ct £300 per ounce

CASH PAID TODAY
A GENUINE LADY BUYER

All Beswick • Doulton • Worcester
Moorcroft • Old coins • Watches
Jewellery • Old toys • Clocks
Paintings • All silver items

Pre '47 silver coins All war medals etc
ANYTHING OLD & INTERESTING
01922 495066 OR
07971 783206



A BEST CASH PRICE PAID

FOR DIE CAST CARS /
LORRIES / TOY SOLDIERS
Air fix, Britains, Corgi, Dinky,
Spot on, Tri-ang.
Best prices paid.
Any condition.
Collections bought.
Telephone 01922 721707
or 07976 691563

BRIC A BRAC WANTED

and house
clearances. Est 1969 The Curio
Shop, 61 George Street, Walsall,
WS1 1RS call 07841 586254

WANTED FOR CASH

three piece
suites, upto £100 paid
Call 01785 815925

WANTED LANGUAGE courses

by Michel Thomas, french, italian,
spanish, german. 01922 722291.

pc's, laptops & accessories

CLIENT COMPUTERS

Certified technician &
Microsoft partner.
Repair & maintain
laptops and PCs. In West
Midlands. Virus removal,
broken screens, wifi.
Windows problems etc.
Home visits or bring to me.
Long established.
Laptops from
£160 & PCs available.
0121 556 9481

t.v. / home entertainment

service

items for sale

AERIAL / TV SPECIALISTS

TV Plasma / LCD repairs
Digital aerial installation
Wall mount / set ups / etc
Plasma, LCD TV's from £99
Any area, 7 days
07850 330251

TV, DVD OR BLUE RAY BROKEN

DOWN plasma and LCD not
working call Sertronics on 01922
624412

specialists at your service

alarms/security

PREMIER ALARMS

Supplied and Fitted £195
Servicing and Repairs
12 Months Warranty
All areas covered
All quotes beaten!
Call: 0121 601 9791

ANTIQUE'S WANTED

All Furniture, Clocks, China, Medals,
Coins, Paintings, Gold & Silver Jewellery
HOUSE CLEARANCE SERVICE
CHASE ANTIQUES
(Over 35 years Trading)
01543 572367 07831 818024

01902 317878 • www.expressandstar.com/classifiedads

Classified Ads

blinds

Amanda for Blinds & Curtains

Vertical Blind Deals

From 7 for £179

MEASURED & FITTED!!!

GREAT OFFERS ON... WOOD VENETIANS,

VENETIANS, ROLLER & ROMAN

Wolverhampton: 421511 Telford: 455136

Buy online @ www.amandaforbblinds.co.uk

ABSTRACT BLINDS. Quality blinds, affordable prices. Free measuring and fitting. 01902 65666. Visit www.abstractblinds.co.uk.

aerials

A1 RAPID AERIALS Plasma fitting. Sky repairs, same day service, call out, 3 years guarantee, OAP discounts. Call 07960 173589 / 0800 633 5899

AA DIGITAL AERIALS

1 aerial into 2 rooms

£85

1 aerial into 4 rooms

£125

SAME DAY SERVICE

01902 858191

01384 429166

01543 439095

01922 716029

07833 738857

cctv

RAPID SECURITY CCTV cameras, supplied and fitted, domestic and commercial, same day service, free call out. Call Robbi on 07960 173589 / 0800 633 5899

driveways & patios
Pattern imprinted concrete specialists, driveways/patios. Free quotes. 01902 834162, 07703 023280

CONCRETE CREATIONS
Pattern imprinted concrete specialists, driveways/patios. Free quotes. 01902 834162, 07703 023280

MNM DRIVEWAYS for all block paving, concrete print, ledger paving etc. 01902 637836 / 07403 165205

electrical services
ALL ELECTRICAL work from a switch to a rewire, insured, free quote 01902 575570 / 07858 627436

MB ELECTRIC.CO.UK Home re-wiring from £800. NICEIC. High quality local service call telephone 0800 025453/07839 503905

MZ ELECTRICAL All domestic and commercial work undertaken. A reliable friendly service, no job too small. Free quote: 07724 424441

electricians
A-Z ELECTRICAL & HOME IMPROVEMENTS LTD
All aspects of electrical services including showers, smoke and burglar alarms. Call 07447 951934, 01922 441242

external rendering
A FULL 15 YEAR GUARANTEE on all rendering work. Call for a free quote: Call 01902 366221.

gardening services
ALL TREES REMOVED Any size gardens also cleared. Call now on 01922 862198 / 07756 544873

TREE AND HEDGEWORK fencing, lawns & garden maintenance call M & M on 07929 421460

gas fitting
A TEAM HEATING
Radiators supplied and fitted from £40
A rated combi boilers supplied and fitted from £900
Full heating systems supplied and fitted from £1999
07535 877783 / 01922 601389

GAS SERVICES
Boilers, Cookers, Fires, Gas Checks, Landlord Certificates, Gas Leaks Traced
Fitted, Serviced and Repaired Same Day Service
Free Quotes
DISCOUNTS FOR OAPs
Call: 01902 366855 / 07761 973975

carpet & upholstery cleaning
A CLASS CARPET & UPHOLSTERY CLEANING
Carpets dry in 30 minutes.
Call Paul: 0800 112 3959
www.aaclasscarpetcleaning.co.uk

carpet fitters
A CARPETS & VINYLs supplied or just fitted, quality samples brought to your home, no job too small, free quotes. Call Mark 01543 820598/07941 619694.
CARPETS FITTED from £25. Wet rooms, laminates, all aspects of flooring undertaken. Call: 07870 563266 or 01902 276345.

domestic repairs & services
DYSON SERVICING IN YOUR HOME!
FULL SERVICE £29.99* - WE COME TO YOU!
Why buy a new one when we can make yours perform like it used to?
We have thousands of happy customers. Full range of spares and filters available.
Call 01785 246565 for full details or to book an appointment
LAR Homecare - Unit 2, Hollins Business Centre, Rowley Street, Stafford.
www.lar-homecare.co.uk *Excluding parts

gates

CARPENTRY SERVICE

Gates made and fitted

Any sizes

Call for details:

01902 861347

painters / decorators

DECORTEX

All aspects of painting,

decorating and artexing

All work guaranteed

35 years experience

OAP discounts

Call 07899 680492

MG ROOFING

Flat roofs, tiling,

roof repairs, fascias

and gutters.

01902 238989 or

07580 465449

Classified

01902 317878 • www.expressandstar.com/classifiedads

Jobs

building & construction

BRICKLAYING GANGS required, 3 & 1 or 4 & 1 for new houses. Immediate start. Good rates of pay. Call 077322 68912 or 07771 736176.

CARPENTERS required. Site new build. Price work. Must hold valid CSC card. Experienced only. Call (9 to 5) 07834 286969 or 07790 044043.

drivers

BREAKDOWN TECHNICIANS / RECOVERY DRIVERS urgently required, all areas. Telephone 01922 615358.

HGV 1 DRIVER Must be experienced in carrying steel. Occasional nights out. Good rates of pay Tel 0121 925 9020/07831 33641.

PFS LTD HGV Class 1 Drivers Needed Local & Distance work. Based out of Ebbw Vale. Good rate of pay & Opportunities. Tel 01543 371970

engineering

ELECTRICIAN/FITTER Commercially qualified, 17th edition. Conversant with pipe work for air and water, to work on open and within a team. Please forward CV to: midlandmachinery@aol.com

EXPERIENCED BENCHAND FITTER to work on motor and repairs to Plastic Moulds Average earnings £700 per week Monday to Friday only (no weekends or shifts). Must be able to grind, fit, bed-out, polish to 320 micron finish and have basic knowledge of hot runner systems and have worked on tools of 2 tonne and over Good working conditions in secure ISO and GTMA accredited family business established 60 years. See our website: www.superite.co.uk Apply in writing or by email to: Mike Collins @ superite.co.uk Superite Tools Ltd Aldridge Walsall West Midlands WS9 9 UG

nursing & carers

CARE STAFF required for Walsall, no experience necessary. Car drivers only. Must be flexible in their working hours including evenings and weekends. Tel: 01922 215000

part time - general

NEED AN EXTRA INCOME £200-£2,000pm - 0121 314 9652. www.bencher.info

full time - general

APPRENTICES REQUIRED Customer Service and Business Development. Apprentice school leavers required. For further information visit: www.lioncontainers.co.uk/vacancies.html

EXPERIENCED SEWING MACHINIST / STAPLER required full time to join our upholstery team based in Walsall. We manufacture and design special needs equipment for children and young adults. To apply for this position please email: Geraldine at: geraldine@smilwale.co.uk

WAREHOUSE OPERATIVES x100 NIGHTS Oldbury and Smethwick Short term contracts £6.19ph rising to £2.59ph Students welcome Call Careerlink on 01922 723576

Recruitment Day

Children's Residential Support Workers - Complex Needs

10 x Residential Support Workers (Full/Part Time) - Walsall

£12,844 - £17,784 Dependent on Qualifications and Experience Progress Care Solutions require staff to work with children with complex needs, sensory impairments, severe learning disabilities/physical disabilities within a residential setting. This includes providing personal and invasive care. You must hold/ be working towards NVQ Level 3 in Care/ Health and experience of working within a similar role or a health/nursing background is essential. Where: Walsall Job Centre, 134-138 Lichfield Street, Walsall, WS1 1SP Date: 21/08/13 Time: 10am-3pm Or alternatively to apply please visit: www.progresscare.co.uk

courses

CENTRAL TRANSPORT TRAINING

HGV, PCV, ALL LICENCE CATEGORIES, CPC AND ADR COURSES. CALL FOR FREE BROCHURES

0800 975 7121

www.hgvdriivertaining.co.uk

SAFE DRIVING FOR LIFE "QUALIFIED INSTRUCTORS"

DSA QUALIFIED INSTRUCTORS

HGV 1 (ARTIC & 2) (RIGID) 7.5T (C1) SMALL RIGID COACH (D) & MINIBUS (D1) CAR & TRAILER 1-2-1 TRAINING INITIAL CPC TRAINING

01902 744726 / 07831 646601

IMMACULATE

VAUXHALL VECTRA ESTATE

2008, 1.8i petrol, 8 months MOT, 2 months tax. Full main dealer service history. Lady owner, first time will buy. £4,675 ono. 07545 345000.

EXCELLENT CONDITION

VOLKSWAGEN POLO 1.2SE

Hatchback, (64PS), 5 door, Oct 2005, 44,500 miles, camflow blue, abs, electric windows, air bag, electric mirrors, air con, fish, alarm, long MOT, central locking, pas, tax, alloys, CD, petrol, front seat height adjustable tinted glass, excellent condition. £4,200 ono. 07768 840467.

VW GOLF CABRIOLET

1997, 2.0 auto, silver, 80,000 miles, immaculate original condition, 6 months MOT and tax, 3 owners from new. £1,850. Telephone 01922 454582 or 07850 766383.

FIAT GRANDE PUNTO, 2007, 42,500 miles, black, alarm, MOT/tax March 2014, excellent condition, radio/CD, £3,100 ono. 01902 238839.

FORD FIESTA ZETEC 1.6, Diesel, 3dr, 2009, 22k miles, 6 months MOT, MOT, Metallic paint, Good condition, £5,495. 07523 562271.

FORD FOCUS SPORT, 2011, Cat D, 19,000 miles, 12 months MOT, £5,650. 01922 453513 or 07811 197633.

KIA SEDONA L 2005, diesel, 70,000 miles, black, 6 seats, 12 months MOT, 6 months tax, towbar, fabulous family car. £1,575 ono. 01384 293421.

MERCEDES BENZ SLK350 new silver, 54 reg, fully loaded, Tahula silver, FSH, 61,200 miles, taxed and tested, £5,500. 07989 394907.

MINI COOPER Gold, 1.6, 04 plate, 5 months tax, 10 months MOT, FSH, £4,300 ono. 07966 267333.

PEUGEOT 1.4 LOOK 2007, 22,800 miles, metallic red, 5 dr, ABS, EV, air bag, AC, alarm, CD, pas, stereo, CD, petrol, tax, full MOT / history, 2 keys, body coloured bumper, cloth sport seats, excellent condition. £3,199 ono. 07854 357326.

PEUGEOT 307 CC Convertible, 07 reg, 2.0 Sport, 40K miles, FSH, metallic blue, triptronic, leather, climate control, cruise control, alloys, parking sensors, taxed and MOT'd. £5,995 ono. 07702 172843.

ROVER 75 CDT, diesel, 2005 reg, new tyres, discs, breaks, battery, ECU, excellent condition, £2,800 ono. 01922 638604.

SMART ROADSTER 2005, red, 75k miles, tax, MOT, automatic roof, extremely economical, £2,950 ono. 07531 757210.

VAUXHALL TIGRA 2006, exclusive, limited edition, black, full spec, 54,200 miles, brilliant condition. £3,995. 07972 050999.

VAUXHALL VECTRA, 2008, 79k miles, fish, silver, 7 months tax, 6 months MOT, 1 previous owner, lovely condition, £2,750. 07914 313881.

IMMACULATE

VAUXHALL VECTRA ESTATE

2008, 1.8i petrol, 8 months MOT, 2 months tax. Full main dealer service history. Lady owner, first time will buy. £4,675 ono. 07545 345000.

EXCELLENT CONDITION

VOLKSWAGEN POLO 1.2SE

Hatchback, (64PS), 5 door, Oct 2005, 44,500 miles, camflow blue, abs, electric windows, air bag, electric mirrors, air con, fish, alarm, long MOT, central locking, pas, tax, alloys, CD, petrol, front seat height adjustable tinted glass, excellent condition. £4,200 ono. 07768 840467.

VW GOLF CABRIOLET

1997, 2.0 auto, silver, 80,000 miles, immaculate original condition, 6 months MOT and tax, 3 owners from new. £1,850. Telephone 01922 454582 or 07850 766383.

cars over £1500

BMW 1 SERIES 116i SE, 2005, 5dr hatch, 1.6, fish, 45k, manual, petrol, grey, FSH, good condition, reliable, £4,900 ono. 07424 177884.

FIAT GRANDE PUNTO, 2007, 42,500 miles, black, alarm, MOT/tax March 2014, excellent condition, radio/CD, £3,100 ono. 01902 238839.

FORD FIESTA ZETEC 1.6, Diesel, 3dr, 2009, 22k miles, 6 months MOT, MOT, Metallic paint, Good condition, £5,495. 07523 562271.

FORD FOCUS SPORT, 2011, Cat D, 19,000 miles, 12 months MOT, £5,650. 01922 453513 or 07811 197633.

KIA SEDONA L 2005, diesel, 70,000 miles, black, 6 seats, 12 months MOT, 6 months tax, towbar, fabulous family car. £1,575 ono. 01384 293421.

MERCEDES BENZ SLK350 new silver, 54 reg, fully loaded, Tahula silver, FSH, 61,200 miles, taxed and tested, £5,500. 07989 394907.

MINI COOPER Gold, 1.6, 04 plate, 5 months tax, 10 months MOT, FSH, £4,300 ono. 07966 267333.

PEUGEOT 1.4 LOOK 2007, 22,800 miles, metallic red, 5 dr, ABS, EV, air bag, AC, alarm, CD, pas, stereo, CD, petrol, tax, full MOT / history, 2 keys, body coloured bumper, cloth sport seats, excellent condition. £3,199 ono. 07854 357326.

PEUGEOT 307 CC Convertible, 07 reg, 2.0 Sport, 40K miles, FSH, metallic blue, triptronic, leather, climate control, cruise control, alloys, parking sensors, taxed and MOT'd. £5,995 ono. 07702 172843.

ROVER 75 CDT, diesel, 2005 reg, new tyres, discs, breaks, battery, ECU, excellent condition, £2,800 ono. 01922 638604.

SMART ROADSTER 2005, red, 75k miles, tax, MOT, automatic roof, extremely economical, £2,950 ono. 07531 757210.

VAUXHALL TIGRA 2006, exclusive, limited edition, black, full spec, 54,200 miles, brilliant condition. £3,995. 07972 050999.

VAUXHALL VECTRA, 2008, 79k miles, fish, silver, 7 months tax, 6 months MOT, 1 previous owner, lovely condition, £2,750. 07914 313881.

IMMACULATE

VAUXHALL VECTRA ESTATE

2008, 1.8i petrol, 8 months MOT, 2 months tax. Full main dealer service history. Lady owner, first time will buy. £4,675 ono. 07545 345000.

commercial vehicles

FORD ESCORT Van 51 plate, full MOT, 2 months tax. £800 ono. 07973 119763.

FORD TRANSIT 190 LWB diesel, 1997, curtain sides, fish, MOT, tax, 155k, £2,000 + VAT. 0121 556 4735.

driving tuition

Homer's

Mini, Clio, Corsa, Fiesta, Punto, 207, KA, Fiat 500, Yaris.

10 Hours £891 Five Hours £501 2 Hours £201 All Areas Covered

MALE & FEMALE INSTRUCTORS

MANUAL & AUTOMATIC

Christmas & Birthday gift vouchers available.

07970 200066 / 01922 780250

01562 870050 / 01384 234954

01543 660120 / 0121 564 0090

01902 580065

www.homersdrivingschool.co.uk

STARTER OFFER First lesson £12, £18 thereafter. Block bookings available. 07986 552131.

£9 EACH FOR FIRST 2 Lessons. £18 a lesson after. Pass quick on manual ex BSM. 07957 254425. Wednesbury surrounding areas.

motorbikes

CHASE MOTORCYCLE TRAINING

■ CBT to Direct Access

■ P1 instructors Always Required

CALL US NOW

0845 757 3402

www.chasemotorcycletraining.co.uk

KAWASAKI ER500

2004, ideal first bike, 04 reg, 9 months MOT and tax, only 2,900 genuine miles with all old MOT certificates as history, fantastic condition, no marks, dents or scratches, new battery. First to see will buy. (Stafford). £1,350.

47866 690517.

M & C MOTORCYCLES in Aldridge. MOTs available six days a week. 9am - 6pm. Call 01922 765652.

NFL MOTORCYCLE TRAINING

CBT to full license. Call 8am - 9pm for deals 01902 494422.

PMC Motorcycles & Scooters. Sales, service & repairs, mot work. www.pmc bikes.co.uk 01384 918936

SUZUKI SLINGSHOT GSXR 750

1991. Tax till Oct 31, 2013, MOT till Oct 18, 2013. Good condition for year. Bike becoming very collectable, catch up to £6,000.

Sell £950 ono.

SUZUKI 600N BANDIT STREETFIGHTER

Tax till Dec 31, 2013, MOT till Jan 9, 2014. Paint work mint condition. Original stock part available with bike if wanted. New clutch and brakes. Good tyres. Great first big bike.

For details call 01543 493185

scrap vehicles

MCB

TOP PRICES PAID FOR ALL SCRAP CARS, VANS, BIKES, CLASSICS

Tel: 01902 408176

1000's of parts available at all times

MONMORRE RD. WV1 2TZ

BJ CARS PAYS MORE

www.bjcars.co.uk

Scrap it legally. No fines. No comebacks.

All scrap cars/vans wanted

CASH TODAY

01902 498542

01902 658792 EVE

1st CHOICE

TOP PRICE PAID 4 SCRAP CARS! VANS! CAMPS! MOT FAILURES!

ANYTHING CONSIDERED FREE COLLECTION

WITHIN THE HOUR! 7 DAYS

01902 562853

07977 499516

07895 346611 - 24 hrs

CASH TODAY

Scrap it legally Avoid fines

We supply a certificate of destruction.

Licence no: EAWM140301

No Worries Call Chris:

01902 493110 | Daytime

01902 525 5813 | Night

01902 659775 - evenings

vehicle hire

SCB CAR HIRE

From £10 per day

0800 533 5139

0121 526 4666

07795 535 007

BEST PRICE CAR + VAN HIRE

Daily/Weekly, Call Practical 0121 556 1315 practical.co.uk

W.T.R. VAN HIRE Connects, Transits, Lutons with Tail lifts, pick-ups Open seven days. 01902 457022 / 01384 78909

vehicles wanted

CROWN MOTORS Guarantee best cash price for unwanted cars/vans. Call 01902 597035/07903 549849.

spares & accessories

ROOF BOXES, ROOF RACKS and cycle carriers. Package deals from £118.95. 3yr 10000 miles. 01902 746723.

spares/parts

Walsall Council, Planning and Building Control

The below applications have been made to the Walsall Council.

Applications can be viewed at First Stop Shop, Civic Centre, Walsall or online: www.walsall.gov.uk/planning

Representations can be made online, email: planning@walsall.gov.uk or in writing to Head of Planning and Building Control, Civic Centre, Darwall Street, Walsall, WS1 1DG.

Representations should be made within 21 days of the date of this notice.

Please note: Your letter and personal details will form part of the planning file which is a public document and will be available for inspection at the Council Offices. The information may be released as part of a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED) PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990 DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE ORDER 2010 (AS AMENDED)

13/0886/FL & 13/1003/C

Mrs E Angel

FOR: Rebuilding of boundary walls and new gates & Conservation Area Consent for demolition of boundary wall, rebuilding of boundary wall and gates

AT: 79 HIGHTGATE ROAD, WALSALL, WS1 3JA

13/0996/FL

Rubystates Limited

FOR: Installation of external security doors to recessed front entrance

AT: MODUS VIVENDI, 85 BRIDGE STREET, WALSALL, WS1 1UQ

13/1025/FL

Church Commissioners for England

FOR: Variation of planning condition B40(D) to allow the unit to be occupied by "Pets at home"

AT: Unit C1 (Dreams), Redwood Retail Park, Redwood Way, Walsall, WS2 8XA

13/0652/FL

M & A Decey

FOR: Fill and cap mine shafts including ancillary aggregate/waste recycling to produce materials suitable for reclamation of the site and treatment of shafts and construct a temporary bund along the canal and restore original land levels to return the site to open grazing. Construction of new access and provision of temporary passing ways on Wintery Lane.

AT: LAND OFF WINTERLEY LANE, RUSHALL, WALSALL.

The application marked * does not accord with the provisions of the development plan for the area.

FreeAds

IT'S FREE

IT'S EASY

*Advertise any item FREE up to the value of £250 go to: www.expressandstar.com/bookanad

Simply click the FreeAds icon

*Private advertisers only, no guns, pets, or livestock. Free adverts are published within 7 days of receipt, in-paper and online and are limited to 3 lines maximum.

Personals

personal

CHAMELEONS

LIKE MINDED ADULTS SINGLES AND COUPLES. Open 7 days a week. 9am till late. Monday Biseual day. Couples ONLY after 7.30pm Saturday. Two minutes from Junction 9/10 M6. Call 0121 5686117 www.chameleons.cc

Angels

The largest adult website in the Midlands

Adult Toys - Any Language

Unit 5, Freeland Street, Walsall WS1 0NE

01922 636544

FREE TEXT MESSAGES from women seeking discreet Adult Relationships. Call 08444 484021 for full details. Discretion assured!

THE GREENHOUSE SPA For Gays/sexual men. Open 7 days. week. 2 mins Jct109 M6 0121 568 6126. www.gay-sauna.com

ADVERTISEMENTS

CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE

- Midland News Association Limited** All publications in this group are published by the Midland News Association Limited, registered office Queen Street, Wolverhampton WY1 1ES (the Company) and this is the address to which any notices should be sent.
- Acceptance** The Company will only accept advertising on these standard terms and no other contract terms or conditions will apply other than those which are implied by statute and cannot lawfully be excluded. In particular the Company will not accept advertising on the basis of advertiser's terms and conditions.
- Content of Advertisements** All advertisements must comply with the requirements of all current legislation including but not limited to the following: All advertisements must be clearly differentiated between trade and private advertising as required by the Business Advertisements (Disclosure) Order 1977. Advertisements offering credit or hire facilities must comply with the Consumer Credit (Advertisement) Regulations 1980. All descriptions of goods must be accurate and in no way infringe the provisions of the Trade Descriptions Act 1968. Advertisements must not contain any material which is defamatory. You must have permission to use any material contained in your advertisement and must not infringe the copyright moral rights or any other right of any third party. The Company reserves the right to refuse to carry any advertisement or to require amendment of any advertisement in its absolute discretion.
- Appearance of Advertisements** Whilst the Company makes every effort to comply with requests, publication on a particular date or in a particular position cannot be guaranteed. The Company reserves the right to alter, suspend, cancel or reject an advertisement at any time and it will be able to do so without notice or liability for publication without being liable to compensate you. You will not be charged for any advertisement which does not appear. If only a part of a series of advertisements appears you will only be charged for the advertisements that appear. The Company does not guarantee that it will be able to accept or refuse to publish any advertisement which does not appear. If only a part of a series of advertisements appears you will only be charged for the advertisements that appear. The Company does not guarantee that it will be able to accept or refuse to publish any advertisement which does not appear. If only a part of a series of advertisements appears you will only be charged for the advertisements that appear.
- Liability** The Company's liability for any loss or damage caused by any error or omission in the advertisement or any other breach of contract shall not be in any circumstances exceed a full refund of any price paid by the advertiser to the Company for the publication of the advertisement or the cost of a further or corrective advertisement of the same type as that which originally appeared. Where a series of advertisements is booked the Company's liability shall not in any circumstances exceed the value of the first advertisement in the series. In the event of any error, misprint or omission in the publication of the advertisement the Company will either re-publish the advertisement or the advertiser's responsibility to check the content of advertisements and the Company will not accept any liability for loss or damage, or obligation to re-publish or make a refund or adjustment, arising from re-publication of an advertisement containing an error, misprint or omission which has not been identified by the advertiser after first publication.
- Box numbers** The Company accepts no liability for loss or damage caused by any error or omission to forward to the advertiser requests to Box Numbers. Box Numbers must not be used for sending goods, distributing circulars or communications from agents. The Company reserves the right to open and inspect all replies to Box Number and to destroy goods and communications from agents which are discovered during an inspection.
- Inspection** The Company shall be entitled at any time to inspect any goods or services advertised and may decline to carry further advertising if such inspection is not permitted or if in the Company's opinion the provision of further advertising facilities is not appropriate in view of the nature or quality of the goods or services.
- Indemnity** The advertiser, including any advertising agency involved in placing any advertisement, warrants that it has permitted to use for publication in electronic and printed means all material which is included in the advertisement. The advertiser and any advertising agency involved in placing any advertisement agree to indemnify the Company in respect of all charges, costs, claims or damage arising out of the publication of the advertisement, whether the same result from actual or threatened legal action or from some other cause.
- Cancellation** On a request for cancellation or amendment of a classified advertisement being accepted, you will be given a cancellation or amendment number which must be quoted in all subsequent correspondence. Payment of the originally agreed price will be required in full for any request for cancellation or amendment to which the advertiser is unable to supply a valid cancellation or amendment number. Cancellation can only be accepted if the Company is notified of the cancellation by no later than the following deadline: Lineage, Semi Display - By no later than 6.30pm on the working day prior to publication. Advertisements to appear on Monday must be cancelled by 10 am the preceding Saturday. Classified Display - By no later than 24 hours before the date of publication. Colour/Features - By no later than 48 hours before the date of publication. To Cancel Lineage, Semi Display and Classified Display advertisements please call 01902 317878. To Cancel Colour/Features advertisements please speak to the Representative through whom the advertisement was booked.
- Rates** Advertising rates are as laid out in the Company's current rate card which is available on request from the Company's offices. The rates may be varied from time to time in the Company's absolute discretion and without prior notification of the intended variation. The revised rate will be charged for any advertising ordered after the date of variation.
- Gross advertising rates** except classified lineage and semi-display are subject to a 0.1% Advertising Standards Board of Finance levy payable by advertisers to help finance the self-regulatory system administered by the Advertising Standards Authority.
- Payment** The Company reserves the right to require pre-payment as a condition of any advertisement being published. Where pre-payment is not required unless different credit terms have been agreed with the advertiser in writing, payment must be made within 14 days of the date of issue of the Company's invoice. An additional £2.00 booking charge will be payable if the invoice is not paid in full within this 14 day period.
- Additional credit facilities** which are offered are at the Company's absolute discretion. The advertiser's liability shall be for the full amount of advertising ordered and shall not be limited to the amount of any credit limit which the Company may impose.
- Payment** may be made by (method) cash, cheque or credit/debit card. The advertiser's obligation to pay for other items on an account shall not be affected by the existence of any query over an individual item within that account.
- Data Protection Act** The advertiser's data shall be held by the Company for the purposes of administering our accounts records and so that the Company may notify the advertiser of future advertising opportunities which may be of interest to you. By placing an advertisement with the Company the advertiser agrees to your details being used for this purpose.
- Applicable Law** These conditions of acceptance shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the law of England and Wales.

XTASIA SWINGERS CLUB

West Bromwich. www.xtasia.co.uk for full information. 07850 230503.

sports clubs

HEDNESFORD TOWN

GOALKEEPER

(2013 - 2014 season)

required for existing team that plays in the Lichfield League. Goalkeeper will be in school year 10 from September 2013. Call Jase on 07974 101537.

Team will stick with task, says Kitching

THIS Saturday Rushall Olympic kick off their third season of Evo-Stik Premier Division League football and hopes are high at Dales Lane that the club can improve on their previous two campaigns.

Manager Neil Kitching has made some impressive signings and the club is quietly confident of enjoying another good season.

Newly-promoted Skelmersdale United open proceedings at Dales Lane, at 3pm.

Following last weekend's draw with Worcester City, left fullback Matty Wood became the latest player to sign for the club.

He penned a 12-month contract after Kitching had made him his top target.

The club is still talking to the former Blues striker Dele Adebola about joining the club.

Midlands-based Wood, aged 24, made more than 150 appearances in fellow Evo-Stik Premier Division side, Witton Albion's colours since arriving at Wincham Park in the summer of 2010.

He has been selected in the Evo-Stik Premier Division 'Team of the Year' in the last two seasons as a pacey, attacking left-back.

He was a key player in Albion's play-offs success that led to the club returning to the Northern Premier League's top flight.

Reedswood winners at the double

FC Reedswood ladies squad enjoyed a double delight after travelling north for two fixtures against league sides.

FCR were in Lancashire to play back-to-back games, first against Queen's Park Rangers Under-19s and then Blackpool.

The squad was struggling for numbers due to holidays and some players had to play out of position, but the squad responded well and came out 3-1 winners against QPR and 2-1 winners against Blackpool.

Both fixtures were a real test for Reedswood, especially following a couple of serious injuries during the day.

It is just under four weeks before Reedswood start their season proper against Wednesfield Ladies.

The ladies squad has also announced that, for the third season in a row, clothes retailer tReds will be sponsoring the club as the official Home Ground Sponsor.

To learn more about FCReedswood visit www.fcreekswood.co.uk or follow them on twitter @fcreekswood.

Return win for Lea Hall

AFTER beating Lea Hall last week at home Stafford Road bowling squad went away for the return match.

With a changed and strengthened team, Lea Hall knew they couldn't afford to lose. The game was played in high spirit.

Unfortunately for Stafford Road they only had one winner Pat Broadhurst (21-16). Brian Smith bowled exceptionally well (16-22) and just missed out on a win.

The more experienced team won and this puts Lea Hall clear at the top by two points. With seven games left it's going to be a close finish to the season.

Pics stay strong in pre-season clashes

Rushall Olympic 1 Kidderminster Harriers 1
RUSHALL Olympic continued their bright start to pre-season when they played out a hard fought draw against Skril Premier League Kidderminster Harriers.

The Pics impressed most observers with their football and certainly deserved at least a draw from this entertaining encounter.

The home side included 38-year-old Dele Adebola in their starting line-up.

The Pics took the lead through a goal from midfielder Carl Palmer. Palmer picked up the ball, went

past two challenges, and struck a fine right foot shot into the bottom corner of the net giving Nathan Vaughan no chance at all.

However, it was not too long before the visitors were on level terms.

A deep cross from the right from Marvin Johnson was headed back into the area by Joe Lolley and Nathan Blissett sidefooted the ball home.

The Pics made several changes at the break and Josh Craddock almost put them ahead, within minutes of the restart but saw his volley flash inches over.

Rushall Olympic Chasetown 0 Rushall Olympic 1
A late-headed goal from Zak Martin gave Rushall Olympic a narrow victory against their neighbours Chasetown.

The victory also continued Pics impressive winning run against their local rivals.

The home side, however, put up a good show against their higher ranked neighbours and shaded the first half with Paul Sullivan and Andy Westwood showing up well.

Sullivan, in particular, was

unfortunate not to have got on the score-sheet as he was denied on at least three occasions by goalkeeper Lewis Solly.

In the second half Rushall began to enjoy more of the play and possession and almost went ahead from an unlikely source when Jimmy Turner struck a fierce left foot shot inches wide.

Chasetown should have gone in front when they caught their opponents on the break but Sullivan saw his left foot shot fly inches past the far post but Rushall replied with a shot from Martin that not only beat the keeper but the far

post as well. The Pics leading goalscorer of last season Dave Walker went close again but was denied again by Watson and then new contract signing Stan Mugisha lobbed inches over the bar.

The only goal of the game came with just a few minutes remaining when Jonny Haynes' corner was powerfully headed home by Zac Martin to give Rushall another victory over their neighbours.

The season kicks off this Saturday with the Pics entertaining newly promoted Skelmersdale United, kick off 3.00pm.

Battling Lockmen unpicked by Flyers

Willenhall 1 Lye Town 3
THE Lockmen went down in a battling defeat against title favourites Lye Town.

Willenhall dominated the opening 20 minutes culminating in Aaron Hatfield rattling the underside of the bar from a free-kick.

The Flyers first serious attempt on goal saw them awarded a penalty, ex-Reds favourite Damian Whitcombe hammering against the bar from the spot.

However, it was short-lived respite as the dangerous Kieron Bennett set up Steve Weaver and his mis-hit shot rolled into the corner of the net.

Five minutes before half-time Whitcombe atoned for the penalty when a left wing cross found him in the box, again the effort was mis-hit, but it went in via a post.

Lye were awarded a dubious penalty on the hour. Lye skipper Robin Sheffield put his effort in the corner but Steve Booth got down and across to push it away.

Booth then denied Weaver before Willenhall got back into the game as Jake Morgan guided home Jamel Fuller's cross after fine work from sub Simon Laidley.

The visitors settled any nerves when Weaver was left unmarked two minutes later to guide in a superb volley.

Dragons put the bite on Bulldogs

Birmingham Bulldogs 20 Coventry Dragons 28
BIRMINGHAM Bulldogs Rugby League FC's winning run was halted by Coventry Dragons.

Dragons were first to score, winger Carl Liddington outflanking the Birmingham line before cutting inside for a try that scrum half Mark Hyslop goaled.

Brum responded with some excellent handling from Shepherd, Edgar and Farnham that ended with right centre Adam Walker touching down in the corner.

Dragons second row Dave Whiting to drive over close to the posts, stand off Cameron Tune's goal making it 12-4 to Dragons.

Brum responded as left centre Dan Ventrella scored.

The opening minutes of the second half saw Dragons pull further away with tries from centre James Horrocks and Hyslop.

Birmingham dug deep and first Edgar went over, then skipper Matt Dudley forced his way over. Edgar cut the gap to eight points.

Rushall take on signings

RUSHALL Olympic have two new signings to add to their roster.

Stan Mugisha and Luke Bottomer have both put pen to paper for the club.

Stan Mugisha is a 22-year-old lightning-quick forward with real potential.

Born in Rwanda, Stan has represented England at schoolboy level and counts South Town AFC Hayes and Bilston Town amongst his former clubs and he has signed a 12-month contract with a further option for the Pics.

Luke Bottomer, 20, is no stranger to Pics' supporters as he returns to the club as a firm favourite with his mid-field industry and trickery.

His previous clubs include Coventry City, Tamworth, Hednesford Town and Stafford Rangers.

Keane to get back in the ring for 'exorcism'

WALSALL'S Christopher Keane and Tipton's Lee Glover will return to the ring on the West Midlands' next pro boxing bill at Walsall Town Hall on September 7.

Keane will look to exorcise the demons of his shocking two-round defeat to Neil Dawson at the same venue in May, with a four-round run out on the card.

That halted the Midlands cruiserweight champion's progress, as Dawson retained the WBO International title and silenced the home-town supporters.

The end was nigh after Keane took a devastating counter punch, a hammer of a left hook that nearly put him completely out of the ring through the ropes.

Referee Richie Davies stepped in and allowed Keane the opportunity to answer the count but his feet wouldn't plant, forcing the man in the middle to stop the fight.

It's the first blot on the 27-year-old's 11-fight pro record and was perhaps the biggest setback the 2009 ABA super-heavyweight national amateur champion has faced.

Challenger
It came against a British title challenger just weeks before but, with a dearth of fighters at the weight, Keane could still receive a shot at English champion Matthew Askin.

Keane said: "Everyone has to lose one day and that was my time.

"It's the way you come back from it that makes you stronger. I have never been dropped before, that was the first time ever.

"It was a shock when my legs went like that, like Bam! If our paths cross again, I will fight him tomorrow if he wants but he's not going to want to fight me just now.

"He's going on to bigger and better things like the

by Craig Birch

British title. Hopefully, if he wins that, I will meet him down the line."

Glover hasn't boxed since a damaging second round stoppage loss of his own in the featherweight Prize-fighter of October 2011 to Choi Tsevenpurev.

Numerous comeback fights have been arranged for 'The Tipton Slasher' without materialising, the last in October one of five dates to have fallen through.

But the 26-year-old has decided now is the time to take boxing seriously again and will know what to expect from his opponent on fight night, Pavels Senkovs.

Mansfield-based Latvian Senkovs was in the other corner for Glover's fourth pro fight in November 2010, going the distance with the Black Country boxer.

Tickets are £55 and include a sumptuous three-course meal.

VIP ringside tables for 10 people are available at £100 per person to include the meal and complimentary bottles of wine.

British lightweight champion Martin Gethin, and former British welterweight title holder Young Mutley will mingle with guests in the VIP section.

To purchase, call either 07780 505 743 or 07581 131 745.

Saddlers nowhere near our best yet, says boss



Saddlers players celebrate the hard-earned three points at Boundary Park after their victory over Oldham

DEAN SMITH insists high-flying Walsall are still nowhere near to hitting their potential.

James Baxendale's winner at Oldham means the Saddlers have made a perfect start to the season, winning both League One fixtures and setting up a date with Premier League Stoke in the Capital One Cup after beating Port Vale in round one.

It is the first time they have won their opening three fixtures of a season since the League Two promotion winning campaign of 2006-2007.

They could even make history when they face Notts County on Saturday, by becoming the first Saddlers side to win their opening four fixtures since 1920, when the club played in the Birmingham League.

But while the mood around the Banks's is positive, the manager believes they can still make big improvements after admitting to being disappointed with the overall display in Saturday's 1-0 win at Oldham. "We are nowhere near our best," said Smith. "That comes with

games. We have had three tough matches and we were not as good as we could be at Oldham.

"Whether we had a little bit of the Port Vale pitch in our legs I don't know. We've got to be better than that with the ball because you can't keep expecting the back four to bail you out. When they were called upon, they dealt with everything Oldham threw at them."

One aspect which has pleased the manager is the effort his players have shown in the two tough away games.

Future looks uncertain for Darlaston Town



Darlaston FC faces troubled times

A LONG-RUNNING football club in Walsall has been pulled from the league after almost 140 years in existence.

Darlaston Town FC is believed to be the second oldest football club in the country.

Fans have now launched a rescue bid and say they are aiming to relaunch the club, which was based at the City Ground in Waverley Road, within the next 12 months.

They said the club's history was 'too illustrious to let it disappear without a fight'.

Darlaston Town FC was formed in 1874 and was a founder member of the Midlands league in 1962.

The team has played at the Waverley Road ground since 1899 and only during the war years has a Darlaston team not

been competing in a regional league.

Fears over the future of the club were raised last year after it needed to raise £15,000 to run for the next season and pay off bills.

Chief executive of the West Midlands Regional League Neil Jiggins confirmed the club was no longer part of the league.

Competition

"They have folded as far as we are concerned," he said. "They are no longer members of our competition."

A meeting for fans to discuss whether to reform the club or set up a new one is being held at Darlaston All Active Centre, Willenhall Road, on September 4 from 7.30pm. Neil Chambers, a chairman of the club in the 1990s and club historian, said: "There is a real enthusi-

asm from people to form a club to represent the town and if possible keep the name of Darlaston Town alive.

"People have said to me they remember great times in the town and the history of the club is simply too illustrious to let the club and name disappear."

"It might be that we have to start again from scratch and build a new club and team but if that's what we have to do then I am convinced there is enough support from the people and businesses in the town to give it a try."

Mr Chambers said people he had spoken to simply wanted a community-based senior football team to bear the town's name. "They all know that the new club will have to start afresh and at the moment that will mean finding a home ground and raising funds."

SPORT

Rescue bid
Fans look to save
ailing football club
Page 43



Team talk
The best is yet to
come, says boss
Page 43



Sports Desk 01902 319461

e-mail: chronsport@expressandstar.co.uk

Rushall move to top of the division

Staffs Club Div 2
Lichfield 197-9
Rushall 198-9 Rushall win
RUSHALL moved to the top of Division 2 with a thrilling one-wicket victory over Lichfield, with just three balls to spare.

Rushall won the toss and invited Lichfield to bat. Peter West (29) made a decent start for Lichfield, but fell as one of Alan Dunn's (4-47) early victims.

The mid-order trio of Tom West (37), Oliver Wem (35) and Tom Wall (31) gave some impetus to Lichfield.

But Alan Dunn and the evergreen Ian Clayton (3-50) wrapped up the Lichfield innings, finishing on 197-9.

The Rushall reply stuttered to 25-3, before Ian Edwards (21) and Andy Clayton (25), put them straight.

But a little mid-order collapse put the game in the balance, this led the young Jack Clayton to show a mature head, and with the excellent stroke play of Dave Perry (35), Jack (25no) led Rushall to victory.

Rushall 2XI 146 Four Oaks 120
Rushall win

Rushall recorded an excellent victory over promotion chasing Four Oaks.

It was left to Warren Foster (32) and Mark Everall (29) to provide the back bone of the Rushall innings, as they were bowled out for 146.

Saddlers face The Potters

DEAN SMITH'S Walsall have been handed a tough Capital One Cup second-round tie at Stoke City.

After seeing off Port Vale, the Saddlers can now bag a Potteries double when they travel to the Britannia later this month.

Albion were given a home tie with Newport County who saw off Championship side Brighton last week. Villa, meanwhile, will be happy with a home clash against Rotherham while Blues face a trip to Yeovil.

Full second round draw: Carlisle v Leicester, Doncaster v Leeds, Nottingham Forest v Millwall, Sunderland v MK Dons, **ALBION v Newport**, Bristol City v Crystal Palace, Peterborough v Reading, Barnsley v Southampton, Burton v Fulham, Burnley v Preston, Liverpool v Notts County, Norwich v Bury, Leyton Orient v Hull, Everton v Stevenage, **Stoke v WALSALL**, Huddersfield v Charlton, **VILLA v Rotherham**, Tranmere v Bolton, Morecambe v Newcastle, QPR v Swindon, Derby v Brentford, Watford v Bournemouth, **Yeovil v BLUES**, Accrington v Cardiff, West Ham v Cheltenham.

Ties to be played the week commencing August 26.

Fine-form Faultless can't be blamed for loss

Coventry Sphinx 1 Walsall Wood 0
ANOTHER disappointing performance by shot-shy Wood. Keeper Dale Faultless pulled off a string of fine saves but could do nothing about the only goal of the game scored in the 16th minute by Matthew Bannister.

The first incisive move of note came from Wood when Craig Hancox and Andre Gonzales tried to work a tight one-two on the right of the box but keeper Carl O'Neil was quickly off his line to collect the final pass.

Sphinx calmed it down a little and put the Wood defence under pressure, but it was another misplaced pass out of defence that led to the only goal of the game. Ashley

Walsall Wood

Wilks gratefully accepting the pass running at the centre of the Wood defence and firing in a low drive that Faultless saved at full stretch low to his right, Kyle Rhodes was first to the loose ball and he calmly played the ball back into the path of Bannister to fire into the roof of the net.

Walsall Wood 2 AFC Wulfrunians 2

AN equaliser deep into injury time robbed Wood of their first victory in the Midland Alliance. It was all Wood in the first few minutes with the visitors defence looking

decidedly shaky. Wood took the lead on 39 minutes with Shawn Boothe carrying the ball out of defence to halfway before hitting a lovely diagonal ball that Hayles raced on to wide left.

He made it to the byline and whipped in a vicious low cross and David Asbury, under intense pressure from Wood striker Dave Carns, kned the ball into his own net.

In the second half Wulfs drew level when a long ball over the top was brought down by Gregg and he nonchalantly lobbed the ball over the advancing keeper.

Wood went back in front on 65 minutes with a classic goal, Hayles lost the ball on the

left to Webb but won it back before releasing Taylor Boyce down the line. His lovely, far-post cross was met by Bilgimer, timing his run to perfection, and the diminutive striker scored with a superb header.

On 84 minutes Wulfs pressured the Wood back line into a hurried clearance that fell to Tom Piggott, whose shot was cleared off the line. When a left wing free kick by Harry Harris bounced off the face of the bar it looked as if Wood had done enough to win.

Well into injury time great play by Webb saw him make space for a cross and Gregg lost his marker and tucked away the equaliser.

Honours even in warm-up

Rushall Olympic 1 Worcester City 1

IN their final pre-season game, before the new Evo-stik League Premier Division campaign begins, Rushall Olympic entertained Skerrill North outfit Worcester City.

City were unbeaten in their pre-season campaign. For the second time the Pies named Dele Adebola in their starting line-up.

He was brought down in the penalty area, by City keeper Deale Chamberlain and Liam Spink confidently converted the spot-kick.

Within seven minutes the visitors were back on level terms when the unfortunate Jimmy Turner turned the ball past his own keeper.

The homieside created a good chance thanks to some fine play down the left from Zak Martin, whose inch-perfect shot was headed over by Kyle Haynes. They went close again when Dave Walker's glancing header, from Kyle Haynes' cross, just went past the far post.

There was further good news for manager Neil Kitching after the game when Craig Bannister, Martin and Spink signed to commit themselves for the forthcoming season.

Good start but momentum lost

Studley 3 Pelsall Villa 1

PELSALL Villa took the lead against Studley on 20 minutes through Sean Westley but then conceded three.

"We started well," said manager Craig Timmins. "Then there was a foul on Ben Lund and as he lay injured on the floor, our hosts broke the offside trap and equalised. It was a crucial goal for them and took away some of our momentum."

The Chronicle, a Midland News Association Ltd publication, printed by the company at Ketterley, Telford, Thursday, August 15, 2013.

DOUBLE DELIGHT AS JAMES HITS WINNER

JUST at this moment, everything seems to be falling right for Walsall. When Craig Westcarr fluffed his control of James Chambers' cross, the ball might have gone anywhere.

Instead, it fell perfectly for James Baxendale following in behind, who hit a first-time shot past keeper Mark Oxley and into the corner of the net at Boundary Park.

It was the winger's second goal in as many games and proved the decisive moment of a hard-fought encounter, in which the hosts will feel they had most of the play and perhaps even a penalty.

Minutes before Baxendale's goal, Latics midfielder Cristian Montano saw his shot at goal deflect off what looked like a hand.

Referee Gary Sutton waved away claims for a spot-kick and, just like at Port Vale on Tuesday, there was the sense the Saddlers got the best of the big decisions.

Fortune

Some might call it luck yet whatever fortune has fallen Walsall's way in the past two games, there can be no denying it has been earned.

The visitors' passing machine never quite clicked into gear and the one moment it did, they scored. But for the rest of the game, Dean Smith's side worked their socks off to ensure they would emerge the victors.

Oldham's pressure in the second half was steady, yet never relentless and Saddlers keeper Richard O'Donnell was not overly troubled by any efforts on goal. That

Oldham 0 Walsall 1

was down in large part to the superb efforts of skipper Butler and central defensive partner Paul Downing who won header after header, while full-backs James Chambers and left-back Mal Benning were always first to any second balls.

Pointless Notts County are the visitors to the Banks' next Saturday, where the hosts will have the chance to make it three wins from three.

It's far too early to get carried away but Smith could surely not have hoped for his side to start the season any better.

Baxendale's goal was one of the few highlights of a first half which bubbled along at a nice pace despite the lack of goalmouth action.

The goal came from their best move of the game, beginning with a neat exchange between the Chambers twins, with Adam rolling a pass into the path of James on the right-hand side of the box.

His low cross was behind the defenders and was mis-controlled by Westcarr, before bobbling on for the waiting Baxendale to smash home at the first attempt.



Pre-match huddle as Walsall prepare to take on Oldham



Walsall's in-form Ashley Hemmings goes on the attack



Adam Chambers battles in the Saddlers midfield



Romaine Sawyers gives Dean Smith another option

HCB
HADENS
SOLICITORS

01922 720000

20 Lichfield Street, Walsall, WS1 1EL

www.hcbsolicitors.com

Do you need Divorce or Family Law Advice?

Come and talk to our team for practical, straight-forward advice



Robert Dawson, Director